

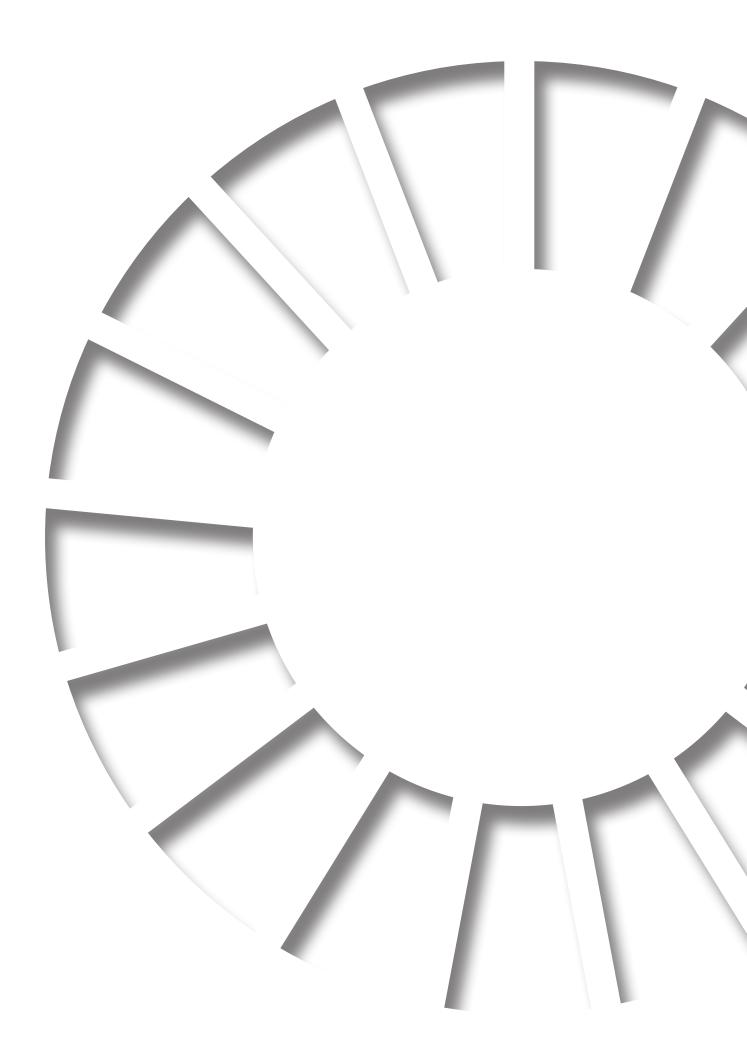
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Introduction

On 10 April 2018, the Basque Government approved the first Euskadi Basque Country 2030 Agenda, linking the goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda to the commitments of the Government Programme.

Giving continuity to the work developed since 2018, on 29 June 2021, the Basque Government approved the Basque Programme of Priorities for the 2030 Agenda, in which it constitutes, for the period 2021-24, the action plan for the Legislature of the General Secretariat for Social Transition and the 2030 Agenda of the Presidency of the Basque Government.

This plan is articulated in direct connection with the Government Programme for the XII Basque Legislature. The established indicator system informs on the fulfilment and contribution of said Legislature and of its sectoral and ministerial policies, in relation with the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and their 169 targets. It therefore enables the making of an assessment and the drawing of conclusions projected into the immediate future.

The mission of the Basque Programme of Priorities for the 2030 Agenda is to promote a culture of social contract linked to the transformative focus of the Sustainable Development Goals and to the call to the Decade of Action.

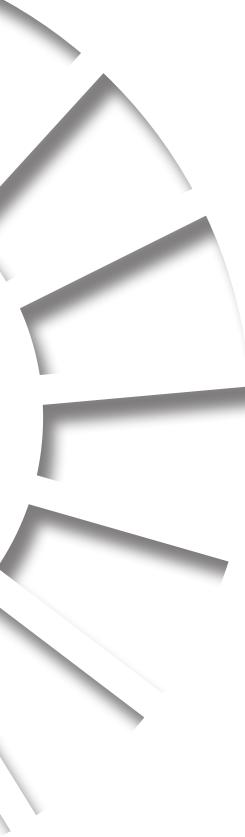
It establishes four priority axes: dissemination, coordination, evaluation and prioritisation. Its fundamental objectives are: to contribute to internal social cohesion; to be part of the best international efforts for peace, justice and sustainability; to promote policy coherence; and to take ownership of the 2030 Agenda as a commitment to promote transformative priorities.

This programme for the legislature establishes a dashboard of seven tractor commitments and seven emblematic projects in the areas of equity, education, climate, energy and biodiversity, urban agenda, global health, circular economy and the prevention of violence and the protection of peace.

From the point of view of Governance and of interinstitutional and social collaboration, the Multi-Stakeholder Forum for Social Transition and the 2030 Agenda has been created. An initiative uniting the different Basque Government Ministries, the three Provincial Councils, EUDEL (Basque Municipalities association), the Councils of the capital cities and the Basque universities, in addition to representative bodies of public-private collaboration and of organised civil society.

This is the fifth Voluntary Monitoring Report. It documents the deployment of this commitment throughout 2021. It summarises the more than 2,000 significant actions associated to each SDG and its respective targets, developed by the Basque Government through its different Ministries. These actions are published and available on Irekia, the open government website.

Sustainable Human Development is, for the Basque Government and all of the Basque public institutions, the guiding principle of their public policies. After two years of pandemic, the global challenge of the United Nations takes on even greater significance. The 2030 Agenda is a necessity and an opportunity for the world and for people. It is a Basque Country commitment.



Summary of main milestones in 2021

People

People have been the essential focus of Basque Government management in a situation still affected by the pandemic. All urgent, necessary and important actions have focused on responding to the pandemic. A response not only in terms of healthcare, but also of an economic, a social and an emotional nature, aimed at promoting and sharing prosperity.

The Basque Institutions have amassed a combined budget of 12.442 billion euros for 2021, an extraordinary economic effort to tackle the consequences of COVID-19. This effort has been estimated at 5.100 billion euros in additional resources, 2.2 billion euros of which have been for direct grants to help the people and sectors affected and 2.9 billion for tax deferrals and loans and the underwriting of fixed-income securities.

From an ethical perspective and a commitment to human dignity, the attention to people has been a priority together with healthcare, as has the support of other policies, especially in the social policies and educational field.

•In terms of **social policies**, a further 179 million euros have been assigned to grants for the people in greatest need and those directly affected by the health crisis. Allowances towards the rental of a habitual residence, top-up allowances towards work-life balance, reinforced care services for the dependent and special support programmes including "Inor Atzean Utzi Gabe" (leave no-one behind), in collaboration with the third sector, are some of the reinforced measures in place to deal with the additional needs created by the pandemic.

•In the field of **education**, an extraordinary effort has been made in 2021 to guarantee the maintenance of in-person education. Teaching staff numbers were increased with an additional 1,064 places and the commitment to digitalising Basque schools resulted in an Integrated Digitalisation Plan under which an investment of 1 billion euros is envisaged over the next three years. This Plan will, among other measures, provide students with the use of a laptop computer from year five of primary school in the endeavour to bridge the digital divide.

•With regard to **Vocational Education and Training** a new Plan will meet the fresh challenges facing Basque Vocational Education and Training in the process of economic transformation underway in the Basque entrepreneurial network. The basic pillars of this new Plan are providing jobs to women in industry, digital and energy transition, dual and alternating education, and incentives for new companies connected to Vocational Education and Training.

•With respect to care for **the elderly**, a programme providing care to 62.000 people has been reinforced. Experience has shown that we must work together on an updated model of caring for the elderly and in 2021 a Strategic Social Services Plan was therefore drawn up to promote the transition towards a new model of care. A new model enabling the elderly to maintain an independent life in their own homes and family environment for as long as possible. A new and more human and friendly model of homes to achieve greater integration of the health and social fields.

•In relation to **equality**, special attention was dedicated to addressing male violence during the pandemic. Resources and services for victims were consolidated, as was the 24/7 telephone helpline. Also presented was the project of a social and public pact against male violence, an initiative framed within the international project "Generation equality" by UN Women. All of these reinforced steps and measures will receive a boost with the Law on equality and against male violence, which has been approved in the Basque Parliament in March 2022.

•Concerning **young people**, intensive work has been done on the draft of the youth law, which was also adopted in March 2022. The main objective is to advance the age of youth emancipation, through the Basque Youth Strategy 2030 and instruments such as the Basque Youth Emancipation Network, among others.

The Strategy will focus on those factors, objective and subjective, that most contribute to reducing the age of youth emancipation: quality employ ment and access to youth housing, information, guidance and personalized support in transit itineraries to adult life and the culture (values and expectations) of young people and their families regarding emancipation and its conditions.

In this sense, in 2021, the improvement and budget reinforcement of programs that subsidize up to 275 euros for the rental of a home for young people, together with other actions focused on youth included in the Housing Master Plan and in the Strategic Employment Plan. And a first call for aid to Town Halls for the systematization and evaluation of actions for emancipation has been launched.

 In the field of the Basque Urban Agenda Bultzatu 2050 the frameworks are in place for coordinated action between the relevant agents in the Basque Country with a view to intensifying the objectives of establishing a sustainable, dynamic and socially united urban territory.

In particular, the portfolio of projects driving the Urban agenda has been defined, composed, among others, by the emblematic Opengela project, the Berpiztu initiative and, more specifically, the Special Plan for the Relaunch of Disadvantaged Districts or Preferential Areas of Action (ZAPS) and the projects linked to Euskadi Next.

•Also within the framework of urban planning and in the **housing** field is remarkable the approval of a "Housing Master Plan 2021-2023", with an investment of 1.237 billion euros. The Plan envisages the building of 4,000 new subsidised housing units: 2,250 through a state-owned company and the remainder by private developers. Furthermore, another 3,000 rent-controlled housing units will be added to the housing stock.

•Regarding the **demographic challenge**, considered as one of the national objectives, the 2030 Basque Demographic Challenge Strategy has been approved and submitted to economic and social stakeholders for their consideration and participation. This strategy consists of 25 initiatives, amongst which are one grant per child. This reconfigures, unifies and increases the incentives received by families with a view to progression; a programme of loans which are either interestfree or have the option of long-term repayment for entrepreneurial, training, or housing projects for young people, in addition to measures fostering access to housing for young people, youth employment, shared work-life balance and taking up life in the countryside.

•In the field of **culture**, a digital library was launched in 2021 with 750,000 entries belonging to the collections from 34 Basque libraries. This library will be connected to its European counterpart, the European digital library, and to the Digital Public Library of America.

Further to the above, a fresh boost has been given to the cultural and creative industries by means of a cluster group in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and presentation of the Basque District of Culture and Creativity (BDCC).

•Lastly, in the field of **human rights and memory** we must mention approval of the Law on Historical and Democratic Memory. Likewise, the Udaberri 2024 strategy, an integrated strategy in favour of human rights, was also approved on 21 September.

•With respect to the **emblematic projects** framed within the People pillar, the Ekitatea project, focussed on reducing inequalities and preventing exclusion, has already presented its advances in the Work Group of the Multi-Stakeholder Forum for Social Transition.

The "Hezkuntzaren Auzolana project-Education for all" has defined and presented its priority pillars in a publication, together with the anticipated goals and actions, all associated to monitoring indicators.

With respect to the Opengela Project, in the framework of the Basque Urban Agenda-Bultzatu 2050, implementation has continued in 2021, rolling out its model in different districts, and strengthening urban regeneration actions in deprived neighbourhoods throughout the Basque Country.

Regarding the emblematic project in the field of peace and human rights, going by the name of "Knowledge learned from the Basque Case for the prevention of violence and protection of peace", the first advances have been made in preparation for its presentation in early 2023.

Prosperity

Together with the commitment to people and preferential attention to social policies, in 2021 the Government laid the foundations for economic recovery and employment.

The onging situation of economic uncertainties at world level remains a fact. Restrictions on international trade, disparities between the supply and demand of basic materials for vehicles for example, energy prices, the new economic and commercial limitations potentially arising from the appearance of new COVID variants or uncertainty regarding the evolution of interest rates and inflation, are burdens that are slowing the recovery of emblematic industries and sectors across the globe, such as the automotive industry. This said, the Basque Country has proven its ability to overcome the most critical moments and adapt to this new reality. Proof of this are the forecasted GDP growth of 5.6% in 2021, the recovery of industry, the reduction in unemployment numbers by 14,395 Social Security payers, whose numbers stood at 980,002 in December 2021, very close to the historic record of 982,935 contributors existing in July 2008.

The bases of economic recovery and social policies for the coming year have been shored up thanks to approval of the 2022 budget, the highest ever in the history of the Basque Country.

Among the foundations for economic recovery of the Basque Country are the following:

•The **Berpiztu Plan**, launched at the beginning of the legislature, is proving to be of fundamental importance for Economic Recovery and Employment. The different policies developed have provided an incentive for 53,500 jobs in the period 2020-2021. The forecast for 2022 is that the new investment will stand at some €3.21bn and that the number of jobs created will reach almost 35,000 people.

•Furthermore, at the Berpiztu Board Meeting, held in March, the decision was made to approve €180m in extraordinary funds for the purpose of revitalising **Areas of Preferential Action** (or Disadvantaged Areas). These extraordinary funds are already being put to use by the local departments and organisations concerned through 25 specific action projects in the districts of Enkarterri, Ezkerraldea, Meatzaldea and Oarsoaldea. Work is currently underway to identify specific strategic projects in the district of Aiaraldea.

•Together with the Berpiztu Programme, which reflects the Government's endogenous budgetary

efforts, expectations are placed on the European funds of the **Euskadi Next Programme**. The government approved updating of the Euskadi Next Programme, under which investments of some €18bn are envisaged. In 2021, the Basque Country received €692m from the Spanish Government, entrusting it with managing the development of different programmes through the different Government ministries.

•In addition to investment, the economic recovery of the Basque Country is bolstered by the determined commitment to innovation. We have approved the new Science, Technology and Innovation Plan until 2030, with estimated public-private investment of almost €20bn. Our public commitment is reflected in the rising budgets assigned to R&D within the Government. In 2021 this growth stood at almost 10%, and commitment to the rest of the legislature is to increase it by 12%. We will therefore double the 6% annual public investment in R&D to which we are committed in our Government Programme. Thanks to these efforts, the Basque Country has been gualified by the European Union as a most innovative region and as an excellence hub.

•Innovation is the driving force behind a solid and competitive industrial base. The Government has established as a Country Goal the aim that industry and advanced services will reach 40% of our GDP. To succeed, together with the STIP 2030, we have approved the Strategic Industrial Development and **Business** Internationalisation Plan. The Euskadi 2025 digital transformation strategy has been approved. The Basque Cybersecurity Centre has been consolidated. We have launched an integrated plan of support for small and mediumsized enterprises amounting to €430m. Approval has also been given to the Inter-institutional Entrepreneurial Plan with a budget of €250m and the Basque Artificial Intelligence Centre (BAIC Association) has been launched, in which the Government has participated with some twenty technology stakeholders and companies connected to artificial intelligence.

•Regarding support to **shops**, **hospitality and tourism** in dealing with the negative effects of COVID-19, in the period 2020-2021 the Government has invested a total of 114 million extraordinary resources in supporting the sector, both in the shape of direct subsidies and by providing incentive to buy through the different subsidised vouchers for spending on hospitality, tourism and in shops. The Next Generation EU funded "Basque Sustainable Tourism Strategy" has also been approved. The Basque Country will receive, until 2023, a total of \notin 67m under the agreement reached with the Spanish Government to fund this international plan.

•In the field of work and employment, the Basque Employment Strategy 2030 has been approved, which aims to open a new period in employment policies focussed on quality, inclusion and equality and addresses recognition of the subjective right to training and work, with the vocation of ensuring that employment serve to achieve progress and social cohesion of the Basque Country. It should be underlined the Social Dialogue Panel which consolidates its role to negotiate public policies in favour of quality employment, with the signing of the agreements reached by the different work groups. Similarly worthy of note, in the same way, the Basque social pact for fair transition to industry 4.0. This pact is centred on the three essential questions

that must accompany this process: a framework of professional qualifications and specialisations, the programme for training in new employment niches, and a plan of priorities for advancing in achieving the indispensable equality between women and men.

•Regarding the **emblematic projects** corresponding to the Prosperity pillar of the Basque Programme of Priorities, the Basque Health Service and the Basque Agency for Development Cooperation have already defined a first action plan under the Global Health Project focussed on sharing knowledge learned and conveying public health skills to the Malawi health services.

The Basque Ecodesign Center project is promoting more sustainable ways of thinking in the Basque industrial sector in line with the European Green Deal and the Basque Green Deal. This initiative generates knowledge by means of innovation in priority areas, while also drawing the Basque industry value chain towards a more circular economy.

The planet

The Basque Government's commitment to the Planet constitutes a strategic area. Environmental Sustainability, the Circular Economy and Energy Transition are the elements on which we are providing a response to our commitment to the planet from the Basque Country.

The Basque Green Deal Initiative, in line with the European Green Deal, was presented in May. This initiative is not only a commitment to the climate or an environmental policy, but also a model with the industry as an economic driving force and with technology as the main lever of transformation.

•Public policies focused on the productive economy, such as technology, innovation, entrepreneurship, digital transformation, industrial development, energy, the circular economy and bioeconomy, agriculture, fishing and the food industry, are reinforced according to the criteria defined in the Basque Green Deal, with the aim of promoting a new model of sustainable and inclusive development. As far as planning and legislation connected to this Basque Green Deal is concerned, 2021 has been particularly remarkable. Approval has been given to the Circular Economy and Bioeconomy Plan 2024, the Gastronomy and Food Plan 2024 (including the strategy against food waste), the Energy Transition and Climate Change Plan 2024, and the Waste Prevention and Management Plan 2030, which envisages investments of almost 100 million euros to promote waste recycling, reduction and reuse. In turn, approval has been given to laws on Environmental Administration and Conservation of the Natural Heritage of the Basque Country.

•Outstanding in the field of the circular economy is the opening in March of the Basque Circular Hub, Southern Europe's only centre for advanced studies, where 130 young people have received training and practical experience in circular economy. In this same line, in June the agreement was signed to launch the third period of the Basque Ecodesign Center, running until 2025. In total, 14 major Basque companies have joined this new agreement, together with Ihobe, Spri and the Basque Government itself. Finally, we must highlight the launch of a new line of grants going by the name of Pyme Circular, intended to promote the application of circular economy methods and actions in small and medium-sized Basque enterprises, maximising the skills and knowledge of the different stakeholders in our environment.

•As regards **energy transition**, the Energy Intelligence Center has been set in motion, promoting renewable energies jointly with public-private collaboration. Fine examples of this commitment are projects such as Ekian on the generation of photovoltaic energy; Ekiola for the promotion of cooperative energy communities; and EuropeWave, for the development of wave energy. Also worthy of note is launch of the Basque Hydrogen Corridor macroproject, the result of public-private collaboration and which has the participation of more than 120 organisations including companies, technology centres and local bodies, some of them members of the European Clean Hydrogen Alliance.

•In the field of **climate action**, the Basque Country has assumed the commitments of the COP26 world climate change conference held in Glasgow. The Basque Country is committed to reducing greenhouse gases by 45% and to achieving zero net emissions by 2050. Basque industry has already taken the first step. In October, the Basque industry pledged to achieve zero net emissions on joining the world alliance currently being developed by the World Economic Forum with a view to promoting transition of the Basque clusters to net zero emissions. Creation of the Basque Net Zero Industrial Super Cluster has the objective to accelerate the journey towards zero net emissions in the Basque Country, fostering decarbonisation of the energy supply and energy efficiency in the industrial sectors and creating market opportunities based on the extension of innovative new technologies and services.

•Connecting both transitions, the **Basque Energy Transition and Climate Change Bill** was drawn up in 2021. Given the crucial nature of this Bill, the Basque Government Ministry of Economic Development, Sustainability and the Environment has promoted an ambitious process of public participation and in which social agents have been key with regard to the co-creation and agreement on the objectives to be achieved. The executive is expected to submit the Bill to the Basque Parliament in the second semester of 2022.

The **emblematic projects** of the Planet-Ecology pillar of the Priorities Programme made progress in 2021. On the one hand, the Ekiola project has contributed to the constitution of energy communities in different municipalities where the residents themselves participate in the generation and management of solar energy for their own use. On the other hand, the Clima-Ondarea project has taken its first steps towards the broader sustainable use of natural resources and the improvement of its ecosystem services.

Alliances

When fostering the SDGs, promoting solid, inclusive and integrated alliances and partnerships at all levels is a priority area for the Basque Government. The aims are to broaden commitments and shared projects, identify best practices, promote new collaborative experiences, and to extend and disseminate the commitment to involvement in and application of the Sustainable Development Goals.

In the field of alliances, on 6 July 2021 the Basque Government approved the Decree creating the Multi-Stakeholder Forum for Social Transition and the 2030 Agenda in the Basque Country. This body will promote shared Governance of the 2030 Agenda between all Basque institutions and social stakeholders. It will have a Plenary Body, a Permanent Commission and five Work Groups: Governance, the Basque Urban Agenda – Bultzatu 2050, Social Transformation, Energy-Climate Transformation and Economic-Digital Transformation.

This Forum is chaired by the Basque President, Lehendakari Iñigo Urkullu Renteria, and its members are all Basque Government Ministers, the three Provincial Councils, EUDEL (the Association of Basque Municipalities) and the capital city Councils, the rectors of the three Basque universities, a representation of third sector organisations in the Basque Country through Sareen Sarea, and representatives of publicprivate collaboration through the Basque Center for Climate Change (BC3); the Basque Research and Technology Alliance (BRTA); and ACLIMA, the Basque Environment Cluster.

On 9 November 2021 the Multi-Stakeholder Forum for Social Transition and the 2030 Agenda was constituted. The document "Structure, priorities and first work agenda" was approved at its first meeting. Its structure was distributed into Work Groups and its Management Plan for 2022 was drawn up before the end of 2021.

•In addition, the **Guneak Initiative** has been relaunched on collaboration between myriad stakeholders which, based on the pilot experience developed during the last legislature, will now be addressed in the Work Groups on Social Transformation, Energy-Climate Transformation and Economic-Digital Transformation.

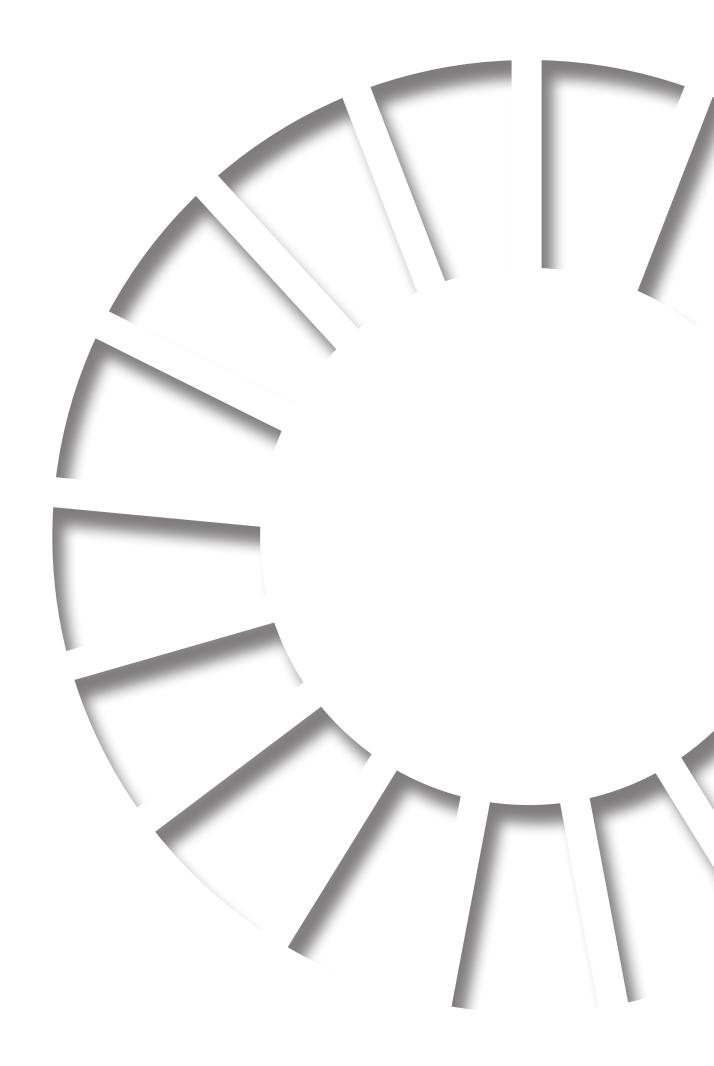
•One example of the partnership strategy is the **Basque Government's Framework Agreement with EUDEL** (the Association of Basque Municipalities). The coordinated implementation of the 2030 Agenda at local level in the Basque Country is framed within the participation of EUDEL as a representative of the BAC municipalities in the Multi-stakeholder Platform. The 15 strategic projects selected, in line with the tractor commitments of the Basque Programme of Priorities, encompass the four aspects of sustainability: social development, economic development, environment and governance.

Worthy of note are projects such as the local model of shared care-providing with a feminist focus; the counting and diagnosis of people with severe housing problems; Zaindu/InguruarEKIN, the fostering of social entrepreneurship; local governance focused on the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs: the evaluation of sustainability and local action policies, and the Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy.

•Also worthy of note is the **permanent collaboration with EGK** (Euskadiko Gazteriaren Kontseilua-Basque Youth Council) aiming to involve young people in the task of raising awareness, disseminating and implementing the 2030 Agenda and the collaboration agreement signed with **Jakiunde**, the Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters. An agreement which has the objective of generating knowledge applied to the field of social transitions in general and to the demographic challenge in particular, hence making it possible to guide the action and priorities of the Basque institutions in coming years.

•Lastly, we must highlight that the three lines of work undertaken within the Governance Work Group, i.e. Inter-institutional Coordination, Monitoring and Assessment of the 2030 Agenda and International Action, faithfully reflect a policy of alliances and partnerships integrated at all levels.

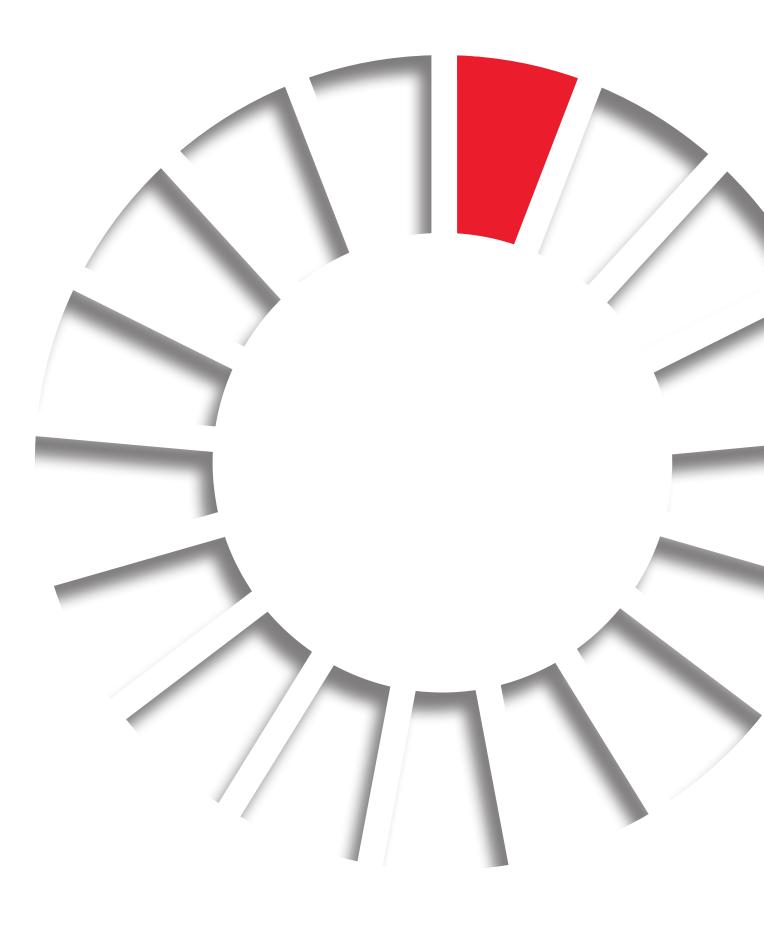
•Note should also be made of the creation of workbooks on the Basque Demographic Challenge Strategy 2030; the configuration of a single indicator dashboard for monitoring and assessing the 2030 Agenda, drawn up together with Eustat, and participation in the ECOSOC Partnership Forum, representing, as well as the Basque Government, Regions4 and the UN Local Authorities Major Group. Added to these is participation in the European Commission's Joint Research Centre study "Towards green transition, the role of Smart Specialisation prioritisation to support transformative innovation", where the sustainability challenges and the Sustainable Development Goals will be developed by means of smart specialisation.







Summary of contents by SDG



NO Poverty

SDG 1 End poverty in all its forms

SDG 1 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Draft Decree regulating the social pact system and collective agreements in the Basque Social Services System.

•Draft Decree regulating the participation of the parties liable for payment in funding the provisions and services of the Basque Social Services System. •Draft Decree creating the Census of Third Sector Organisations in the Basque Country and regulating their roles.

•Draft Decree regulating subsidies awarded to programmes from the Development Cooperation Fund.

•Preliminary Draft Bill on the Basque Minimum Income and Inclusion Scheme with the focus on updating and strengthening said scheme as an autonomous initiative, constituted as a coherent and integrated whole.

Planning instruments

•Basque Volunteering Strategy 2021-2024, to promote volunteering as a transforming force, which exercises social and political incidence in order to promote improvements in society.

•IV Inter-institutional Plan of support to families in the Basque Autonomous Community for 2018-2022, to prevent territorial imbalances and guarantee minimum levels of protection, in coordination with the provincial councils and town councils.

•Basque Strategy for the Homeless 2018-2021, for the reinforcement of policies to prevent homelessness.

•V Youth Justice Plan 2020-2024, to promote prevention, inter-departmental collaboration and the quality of judicial interventions for offenders between the ages of 14 and 18.

•IV Basque Social Inclusion Plan 2017-2021, to provide a response to the new challenges and promote anticyclical measures making it possible to address the impact of periods of economic crisis, with special attention to adopting the gender focus in the field of inclusion.

ACTION PREVIEW SDG 1: End poverty in all its forms

TARGET

1.2. By 2030, reduce at least by half the proportion of men, women and children of all ages living in poverty in all its dimensions according to national definitions.

Action	Government Commitment
Extension of two programmes born during the pandemic to attend to the most vulnerable people. The former for people who need help to meet their basic needs, with special attention to single-parent and numerous families; and the second to attend to homeless people.	77. Address situations of particular vulnerability and defencelessness
Approval of expenses for 2022 corresponding to the Minimum In- come Scheme and Top-up Housing Allowances. (€432,450,000)	11. Develop and improve the income scheme guarantee against exclusion.

TARGET

1.3 Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, including floors, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable.

Action	Government Commitment
Adapting Social Emergency Allowances to the rise in gas and elec- tricity prices, doubling the amounts to reduce energy poverty in vul- nerable families who are left out of the system.	77. Address situations of particular vulnerability and defencelessness
Grants for work-life balance in different modalities : a) Allowances for workers on leave of absence or with reduced working hours in order to care for their children; b) Allowances for workers on leave of absence or with reduced working hours in order to care for family members in a situation of dependency or extremely poor health; and c) allowances to hire workers to care for children under the age of 3 years. (€37,016,082).	85. Develop a comprehensive strategy to support families with children and promote the birth rate.

SDG 1 Indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_1/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	-
Proportion of persons at risk of relative poverty, considering the poverty threshold in the autonomous community: Proportion of persons with income per unit of consumption lower than 60% of the median income per unit of consumption in the autonomous community (modified OECD-modified equivalence scale)	(2014) 18.52%	(2020) 17.77%	
Proportion of persons living in households with severe material depriva- tion: Proportion of persons living in households with deprivation in at least four of a list of nine concepts:			-
1. They cannot afford to go on holiday for at least one week a year.			
2. They cannot afford to eat meat, chicken or fish at least every two days.			
3. They cannot afford to keep their home adequately warm.			
4. They cannot face unexpected expenses.	(2014)	(2020)	
 They have been late with the payment of bills for their main residence (mortgage or rental, gas or residents' association bills, etc.) in the last 12 months. 	5.23%	4.13%	
6. They cannot afford to have a car.			
7. They cannot afford to have a telephone.			
8. They cannot afford to have a colour TV.			
9. They cannot afford to have a washing machine.			
Proportion of persons living in households with low work intensity: Proportion of persons between 0 and 59 years who live in households with no work or with low work intensity (households where working-age members worked less than 20% of their total work-time potential during the year prior to the survey)	(2014) 11.96%	(2020) 7.63%	





SDG 2

End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

SDG 2 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Decree 115/2021 regulating training grants to research and technology personnel in the science-technology and business scope of the agricultural, fishing and food sector (Ikertalent Programme).

Planning instruments

•Strategy to prevent childhood obesity in the Basque Country ("Healthy"), to address this century's public health challenges by taking steps to promote physical activity and healthy eating among children and adolescents. •Drawing up of the V Action Plan on Seasonal Work 2021-2024, for the coherent and coordinated planning of actions responding to the needs of seasonal workers.

•Organic Action Plan (FOPE) 2020-2023, to increase organic production, develop the transformation chain and commercialise and strengthen the demand for local organic produce.

ACTION PREVIEW

SDG 2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

TARGET

2.2 By 2030, end all forms of malnutrition, including achieving, by 2025, the internationally agreed targets on stunting and wasting in children under 5 years of age, and address the nutritional needs of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women and older persons.

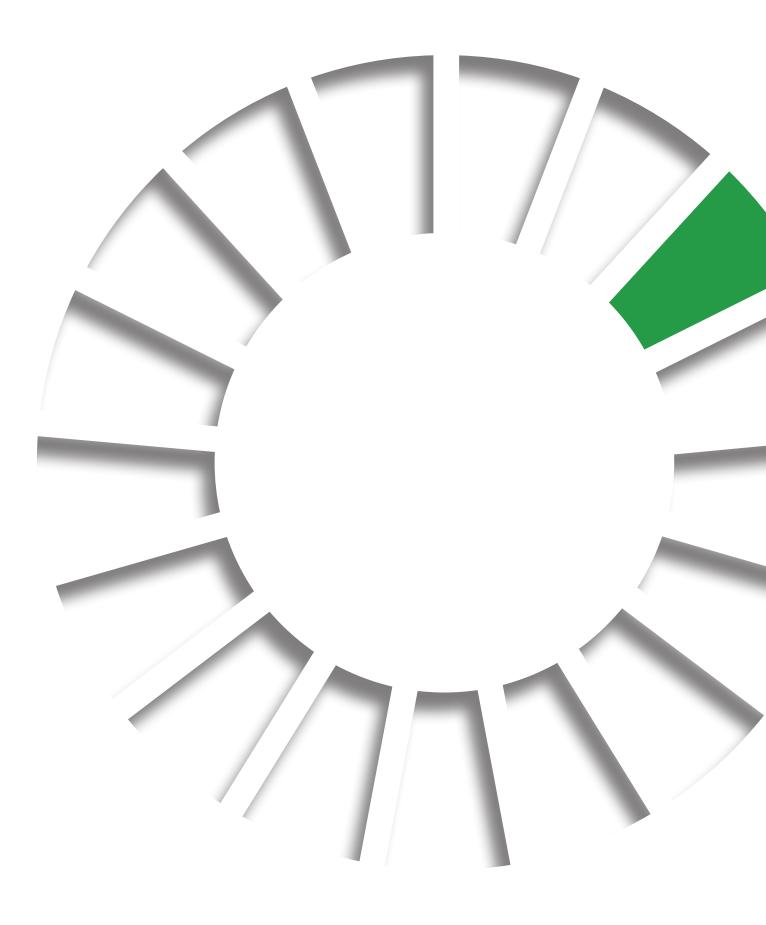
Action	Government Commitment
A new practical guide has been drawn up as part of the actions to prevent childhood obesity in the Basque Country . By means of menus created by the Basque Culinary Center, this new publication promotes and encourages families to eat healthy food.	75. Health without inequalities, closer to and at the service of people.

TARGET

2.4 By 2030, ensure sustainable food production systems and implement resilient agricultural practices that increase productivity and production, that help maintain ecosystems, that strengthen capacity for adaptation to climate change, extreme weather, drought, flooding and other disasters and that progressively improve land and soil quality.

Action	Government Commitment	
Programme of grants for the transition towards certified organic production .	27. Promote organic, local, sustainable and	
Presentation of the EKOLURRA label which will identify organic food produced in the Basque Country from now on.	healthier food.	

SDG 2 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_2/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	-
Proportion of minors from 2 to 17 years who are obese, overweight, or underweight: The population who suffer from malnutrition are those who are obese (BMI>=30), overweight (25<=BMI<30) or underweight (BMI<18.5) where BMI is the body mass index, which is obtained by dividing a person's weight (kg) by their height in metres squared (m ²).	(2013) 35.60%	(2018) 33.36%	
Obesity rate in the adult population: Percentage of adult population aged 18 and over with a body mass index of 30 or more. The BMI is obtained by dividing a person's weight (kg) by their height in metres squared (m ²).	(2014) 13%	(2019) 13.51%	
Proportion of the agricultural surface (crops, fields and pastures) des- tined to organic production.	(2015) 1.77%	(2020) 4.16%	





SDG 3

Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

SDG 3 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Decree 244/2021 creating and regulating the functioning of the Basque Ethics Committee for Research with Medicinal Products, on regulation of the Ethics Committee for Research with Medicinal Products, part of the Directorate of Health Research and Innovation of the Basque Government Ministry of Health.

•Decree 198/2021 creating and regulating the Basque Autonomous Community Register of Acute Myocardial Infarction (Bihotzez Register), an instrument to enable the planning of care for acute myocardial infarction, while providing epidemiological information on acute coronary events.

Planning instruments

•Basque Healthcare Strategy 2021-2024, to improve the care and services provided to the most vulnerable people.

•Basque Oncology Plan 2018-2023, to improve cancer survival, from a multidisciplinary approach and humanised treatment which attends to patients' overall needs and reducing diagnosis times.

•VII BAC Addiction Plan, to foster activities to develop and promote prevention, care, social inclusion, research and training in drug addictions. •Basque Strategy of Governance with the Elderly-Agenda Nagusi, to ensure that the elderly participate in society and help to improve their quality of life, that has focused on issues such as loneliness, first, or the improvement of residential centers for the elderly, later.

ACTION PREVIEW

SDG 3: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

TARGET

3.3 By 2030, end the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and neglected tropical diseases and combat hepatitis, water-borne diseases and other communicable diseases.

Action	Government Commitment
Programme of grants for non-profit social initiative organisations for the development of programmes to prevent and control HIV/AIDS , hepatitis C (HC) and sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) in the Basque Country. Call for submissions 2021. (€300,000)	75. Health without inequalities, closer to and at the service of
Agreement with the Bizkaia Anti-Aids Citizens Committee for the management of programmes to reduce harm in outpatient clinics for drug addicts.	and at the service of people.

TARGET

3.4 By 2030, reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being.

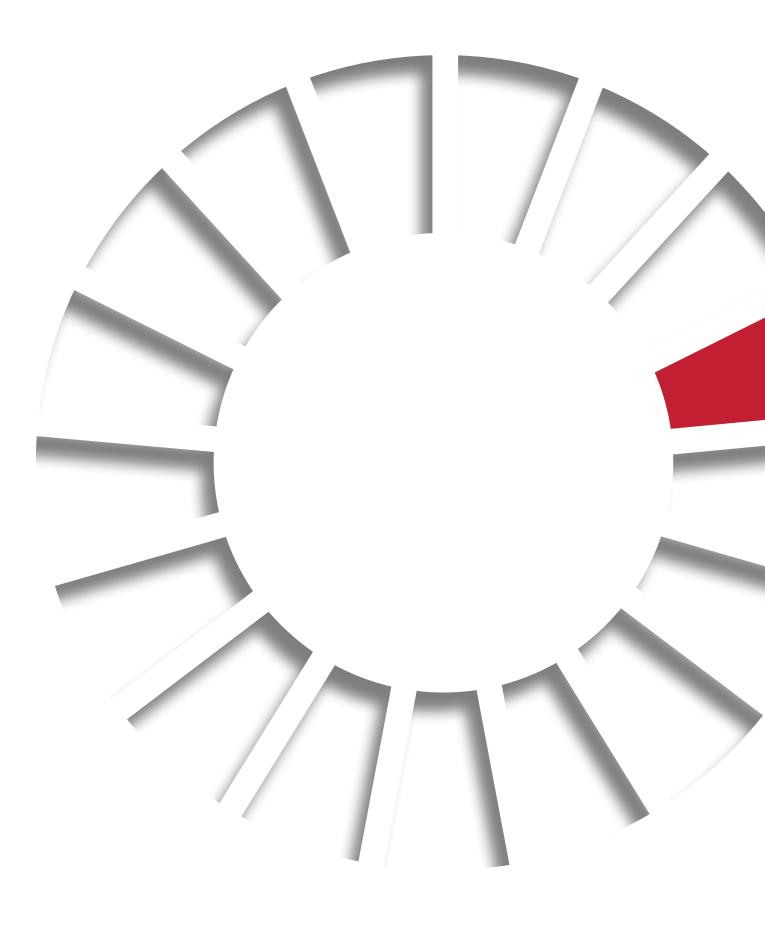
Action	Government Commitment
Reinforce mental health care with two new outpatient psychiatric hospitals for adolescents in Bilbao and Galdakao.	75. Health without inequalities, closer to and at the service of people.
Setting in motion of a pilot programme to detect people with emo- tional support needs as a result of the effect of coronavirus.	

TARGET

3.8 Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all.

Action	Government Commitment
Programme of grants to help pay for medical prescriptions to ensure that no-one stops taking prescribed medication for financial reasons.	71. Strengthen primary care by advancing in the integration of care.
COVID-19 vaccination of the foreign population residing in the Basque Country , even when they do not have the healthcare card and no matter what their administrative situation.	

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SDG 3 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_3/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	
Life expectancy at birth: Average number of years a new-born is expected to live, if he or she were to pass through life exposed to age-specific death rates prevailing at the time of his or her birth.	(2015) 82.97 years	(2020) 83.09 years	
Proportion of the population covered by population-based breast cancer screening: Percentage of participation in the breast cancer early detection programme among the target population: women aged 50-69.	(2015) 80.80%	(2020) 75.80%	
Proportion of the population covered by population-based colon cancer screening: Percentage of participation in the colon cancer early detection programme among the target population: men and women aged 50-69.	(2015) 70.40%	(2020) 70.90%	
Deaths due to road traffic accidents for every 100,000 inhabitants.	(2015) 3.45%	(2020) 2.63%	



4 QUALITY EDUCATION

SDG 4

Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

SDG 4 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Decree 241/2021, regulating the Higher Body of Vocational Education Coordination.

Planning instruments

•University System Plan 2019-2022, to build an inclusive higher education system in which graduates receive high quality training, and to ensure that the higher education institutions contribute to our country's social transformation.

•Education plan for high-ability learners 2019-2022, to systematise intervention with this kind of students, and to train and raise awareness among the education community with respect to their reality.

•Education Infrastructures Plan 2019-2023, to improve facilities and infrastructures, thereby also helping to improve teaching quality.

•Co-education Plan for the Basque education system 2019-2023, to combat all forms of sexism, work to achieve gender equality, and to prevent and eradicate violence against women.

•Education Plan for immigrant students, to favour the inclusion of recently arrived students and families of foreign origin in our education system, thereby fostering their real participation in society.

•V Basque Vocational Education Plan 2019-2021, to adapt the education and training proposal to the intense technological and social transformation and modernisation of today's world.

ACTION PREVIEW

SDG 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

4.1 By 2030, ensure that all girls and boys complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and Goal-4 effective learning outcomes.

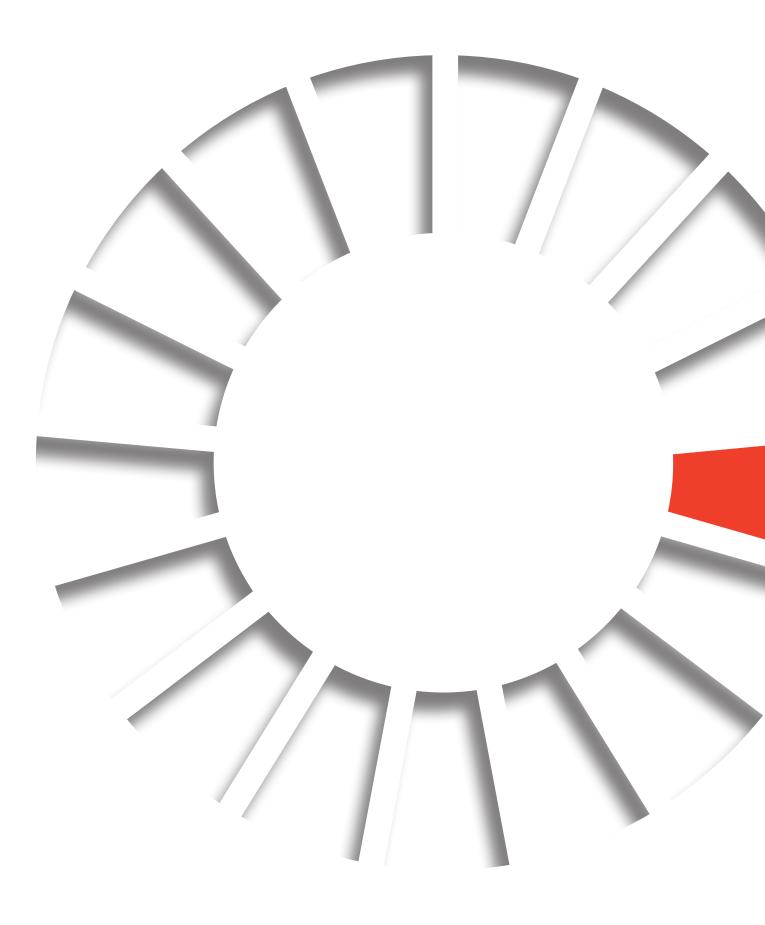
Action	Government Commitment
Awarding of direct subsidies to cover the additional costs of applying the measures required under COVID-19 prevention protocols (€36,000,000).	53. Promote an equal, quality education sys- tem based on recogni- tion of the essential nature of the Basque Public School system.
Programme of study scholarships and grants for the schooling of students at non-university levels.	55. Achieve an inclusive, equitable and innovative school that moves towards excellence.

TARGET

4.3 By 2030, ensure equal access for all women and men to affordable and quality technical, vocational and tertiary education, including university.

Action	Government Commitment
Granting of subsidies for the development of programmes to promote interculturality for immigrant students and linguistic support for Recently Arrived Students (L2. Inclusive education and attention to diversity).	53. Promote an equal, quality education sys- tem based on recogni- tion of the essential nature of the Basque Public School system.
lssuing of grants to students who, at a Basque or approved Basque self-study centre, have passed the test to assess their command of the language or have provided proof of having the HABE Basque cer- tificate level or its equivalent.	118. Increase knowledge of Basque and, above all, influence its use in sociocultural, economic and digital environments and in the public sector.

SDG 4 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_4/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	-
Rate of early leavers from education among the population aged 18-24: Percentage of the population to have at most completed the first stage of secondary education and who are no longer following their education or training.	(2015) 10.20%	(2019) 8.80%	1
Total net enrolment rate at 5 years: Proportion of boys and girls aged 5 enrolled in pre-school, primary and special education over the total number of boys and girls aged 5.	(2015) 99.60%	(2020) 99.80%	
Proportion of people between 30-34 years who have completed tertiary studies: Proportion of people between 30-34 years who have successfully completed university or equivalent education (including higher vocational education) with respect to total people between 30-34 years.	(2015) 50.34%	2019 48.78%	





SDG 5

Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

SDG 5 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•**Bill on equality between women and men**, undergoing parliamentary formalities. To reinforce equality policies and grants to the different victims of male violence.

Planning instruments

•Strategic Plan for the Equality of Women and Men, to guide the actions of the Basque public authorities in the field of equality between women and men. •Action Plan on Violence against Women, to establish actions and measures in the struggle to combat violence against women, and to coordinate an integrated care network.

•Plan to reduce the wage gap in the Basque Country: aims to place the Basque Country among the European countries with the smallest wage gap by 2030.

ACTION PREVIEW

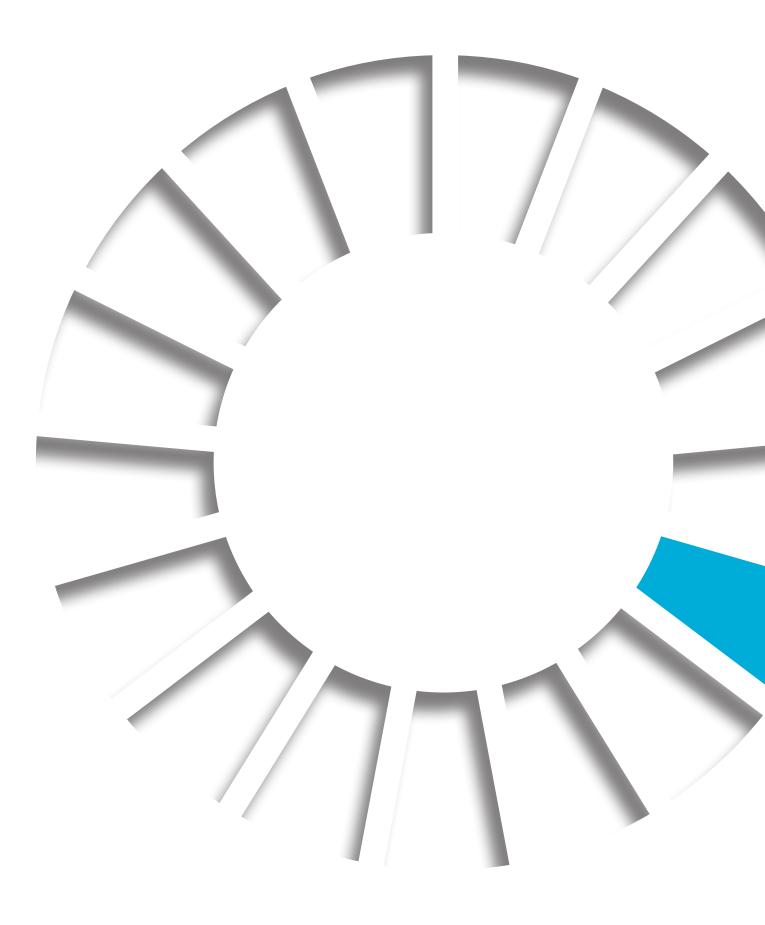
SDG 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

TARGET

5.2 Eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres, including trafficking and sexual and other types of exploitation.

Action	Government Commitment
Signing of both collaboration agreements between Emakunde-the Basque Institute for Women and the Gipuzkoa and Álava Provincial Councils to develop and co-finance the inter-institutional campaign "Beldur Barik" on the prevention of violence against women.	93. Eradicate male violence and build an
Collaboration between the Basque Institute for Women (Emakunde) and the Association of Basque Municipalities (EUDEL) to promote a guide on actions to be taken in the municipalities with a view to repa- ration of the harm caused to the women victims-survivors, and to guarantee their recovery in the community environment.	egalitarian society free of violence against women in all its mani- festations.

SDG 5 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_5/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	
Gender equality index: Synthetic indicator obtained from 31 indicators hierarchically structured into six core domains, in turn divided into 14 sub-domains, which summarise the inequalities existing between men and women. Their values range from 1 (total inequality) to 100 (total equality).	(2010) 68.8	(2017) 71.1	
 Proportion of women in senior management: Proportion of working women in senior management compared to the total number of working people in senior management, understanding the following positions as being senior management: Members of the executive and policymaking bodies; managers of the Public Administration and social interest organisations; executive directors. Administrative and commercial department directors Production and operations directors Accommodation, hospitality and commercial company directors and managers Directors and managers of other services companies not classified under other headings. 	(2015) 29.45%	(2020) 29.70%	_
Average personal income: Available income is the part of the income that individuals can effectively spend or save. It is calculated by detracting from the income obtained all items that cannot be used for the purposes desired by the individual. These items include: taxes, social security payments, etc. Any transfers increasing the available income (e.g. widow pension, etc.) must be added to the previously obtained results. https://en.eustat.eus/igualdad/2020/renta.html	(2015) Wo- men: 15,175 Men: 25,152	(2019) Wo- men: 17,731 Men: 27,885	





SDG 6

Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

SDG 6 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Decree 229/2021, approving the Water Rate Regulation. •Draft Decree approving the Framework Regulation on Integrated Urban Water Cycle Management. Currently being drawn up.

Planning instruments

•Basque Flood Risk Management Plan (PGRI), which defines the strategy and actions for improving resilience against floods.

ACTION PREVIEW

SDG 6: Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

6.1 By 2030, achieve universal and equitable access to safe and affordable drinking water for all.

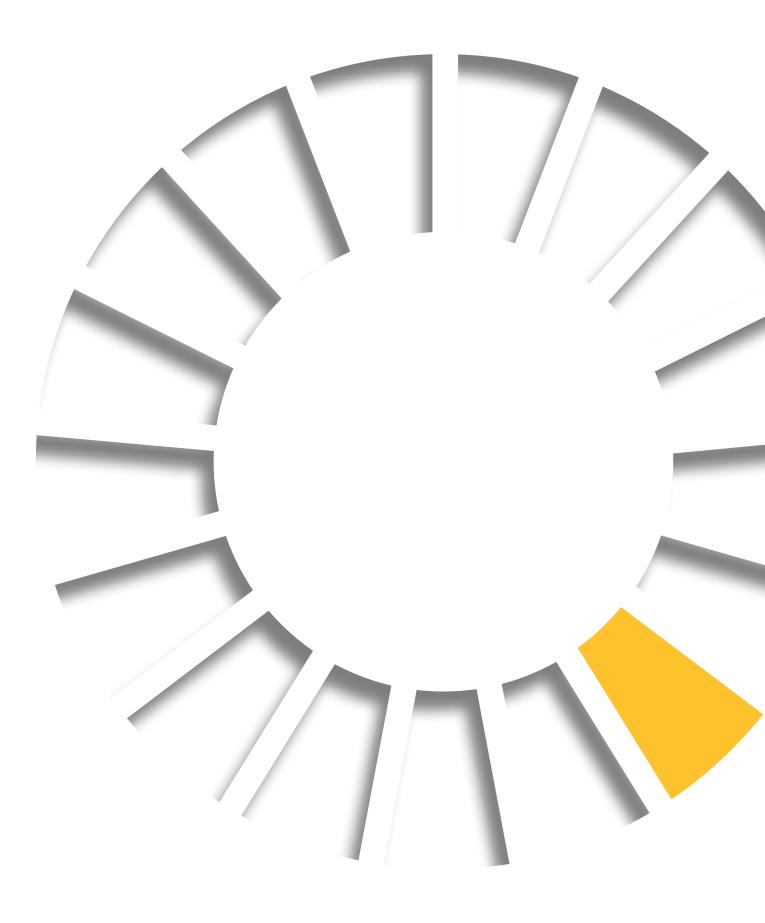
Action	Government Commitment
The Basque Water Agency (URA) manages, together with other Water Consortiums, the project to monitor SARS-CoV-2 in Basque Waste- water Treatment Plants (URBEHA). Its mission is to provide an early warning system in the event of significant viral load increases and to provide a decision-making tool for the Basque Ministry of Health.	133. Ensure the avail- ability and quality of water and its sustain- able management.

TARGET

6.3 By 2030, improve water quality by reducing pollution, eliminating dumping and minimizing release of hazardous chemicals and materials, halving the proportion of untreated wastewater and substantially increasing recycling and safe reuse globally.

Action	Government Commitment
Approval of the Action Programme for the vulnerable zones of the Basque Autonomous Community with respect to water pollution due to nitrates coming from agricultural activity.	133. Ensure the avail-
The Basque Water Agency (URA) has carried out hydrological-forestry restoration actions in municipalities by means of the Programme to restore and maintain river beds. The programme has an annual budg- et of more than 3 million euros in recent years, an amount which was increased to 6 million euros in the last financial year.	ability and quality of water and its sustain- able management.

SDG 6 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_6/ods.html	lnitial data	Latest data and ten- dency	-
Percentage of population receiving supply with coverage from the Na- tional System of Water for Public Consumption.	(2016) 82.6%	(2020) 81.31%	
Hydric stress level: extraction of fresh water in proportion to the avail- able fresh water resources. Volume of water supplied to end consumers by means of urban supply systems, measured in cubic metres.	(2013) 177.555.343	(2020) 163.675.651	
Quality of river water bodies: Proportion of river water bodies in overall good condition. The global state of water is calculated according to the Water Framework Directive.	(2015) 45.50%	(2020) 48%	



AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



SDG 7

Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

SDG 7 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Draft Bill on Energy Transition and Climate Change: Legal framework for achieving neutral greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 and advancing towards a territory more resistant to the climate, creating mechanisms and bodies of inter-institutional coordination in matters of climate change.

Planning instruments

Energy Transition and Climate Change Plan 2021-2024: Plan with its sights set on the year 2024 with respect to achieving a 30% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions; achieving a renewable energies quota representing 20% of the final energy consumption; and ensuring resilience of the Basque territory to climate change.

Basque Hydrogen Strategy, which has the objective to establish the conditions for producing renewable hydrogen, its storage, transport and distribution in the local market and, at the same time, that they serve as the basis for establishing a logistics centre with relevance in the international market.

•Public Sector Sustainable Energy Plan 2025, to achieve a reduction in energy consumption of up to 25% by 2025, based on the reference of the total energy consumed by the Basque public sector.

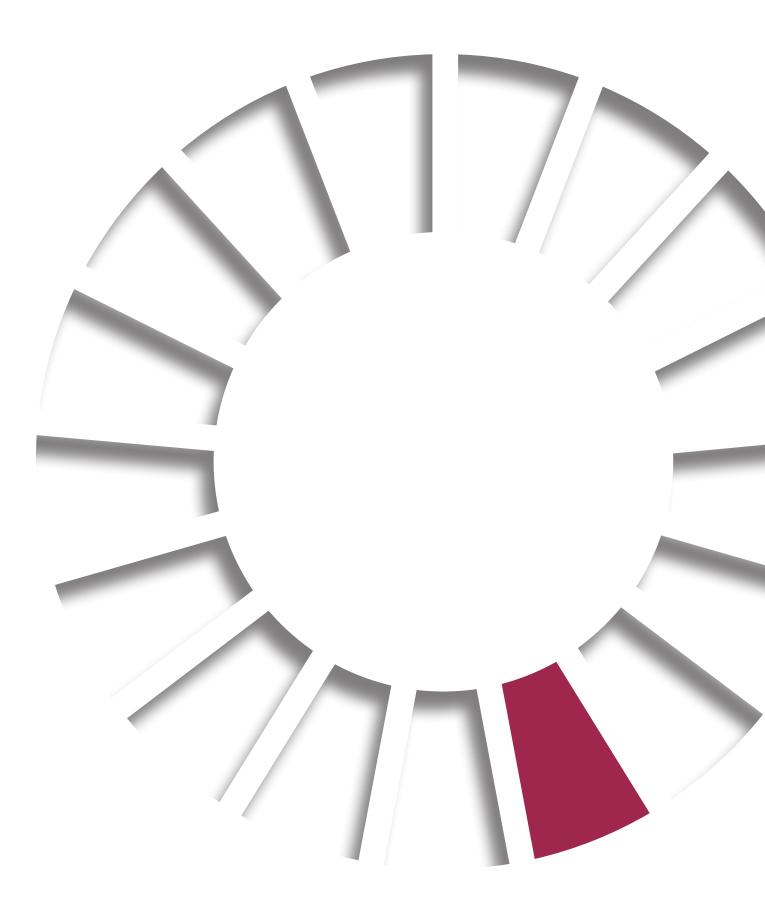
•Basque Energy Strategy 2030, to achieve an increasingly more sustainable energy system in terms of competitiveness, supply security and low in carbon.

SDG 7: Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

7.2 By 2030, increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix.

Action	Government Commitment
The Basque Government and the Mondragón Corporation have an- nounced the constitution of Ekiola Energia Sustapenak, a society for the promotion of cooperative sustainable energy communities.	126. Increase the use of renewable sources
Programme of repayable advances for investments in energy effi- ciency and the use of renewable energies in the Basque Local Public Administration – Gauzatu Energía.	in final energy con- sumption.

SDG 7 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_7/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	-
Proportion of renewable energies in electricity generation.	(2015) 18.08%	(2020) 17.09%	➡
Electricity consumption per unit of GDP: Measures the dependence of GDP growth with respect to energy consumption. The greater the energy intensity, the more the environmental pollution and destruction of resources. Measured in tonnes of oil equivalent per million euros.	(2015) 20,75	(2020) 17,96	



DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

SDG 8

Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

SDG 8 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

• Law 7/2021 on Administrative Professions and Grades in the Basque Autonomous Community, enabling adaptation to the groups of the Statute of Public Employees and to the new degrees and diplomas created, as well as to the updated professional profiles of certain jobs.

•Draft Bill on Basque Public Employment, for planning, defining the legal framework and regulating the instruments for managing public employment in the Basque Country.

Planning instruments

•Basque Employment Strategy 2030, pact for quality and inclusive employment contributing to economic and social development of the Basque Country.

Basque Strategy of Health and Safety at Work 2021-2026, for promotion and prevention with respect to health at work, especially for those who may suffer greater health inequalities due to their gender, age, origin and functional diversity, amongst others.

•Programme for Economic Recovery and Employment in the Basque Country 2020-2024 (Berpiztu): Response of the Basque institutions to overcome the economic crisis and recover jobs lost due to COVID-19 while bringing the unemployment rate to below 10% by 2024.

•Inter-institutional Entrepreneurship Plan 2024: With the objective to promote entrepreneurship in all its varieties as the driving force of a new stage of economic recovery.

•Lanbide Hobetzen Plan, to improve effectiveness in attending to the training and guidance needs of workers and the employment needs of companies while guaranteeing the right to receive the minimum income and social and professional integration.

SDG 8: Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

TARGET

8.3 Promote development-oriented policies that support productive activities, decent job creation, entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation, and encourage the formalization and growth of micro-, small- and medium-sized enterprises, including through access to financial services.

Action	Government Commitment
Grant Programme "New territorial projects for rebalancing and equi-	5. Promotion of micro-
ty. Entrepreneurship and micro-enterprises", in the framework of the	entrepreneurship and
PRTR, funded by the NextGeneration EU package. Programme to pro-	support for the self-
mote the maintenance of jobs in micro-enterprises and self-employed	employed and micro-
workers who invest in their ecological or digital transformation.	SMEs.

TARGET

8.4. Improve progressively, through 2030, global resource efficiency in consumption and production and endeavour to decouple economic growth from environmental degradation, in accordance with the 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production, with developed countries taking the lead.

Action	Government Commitment
Specific line of grants for Basque SMEs, PYME Circular Euskadi 2021, aimed to promote the application of Circular Economy methods and actions making the most of the skills and knowledge of the different agents in our environment.	131. Promote green jobs and innovation in the field of the circular
Creation of the Basque Green Deal Gunea, a forum which will travel around the Basque Country to spread the spirit of the European Green Deal.	economy.

8.5 By 2030, achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men, including for young people and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for work of equal value.

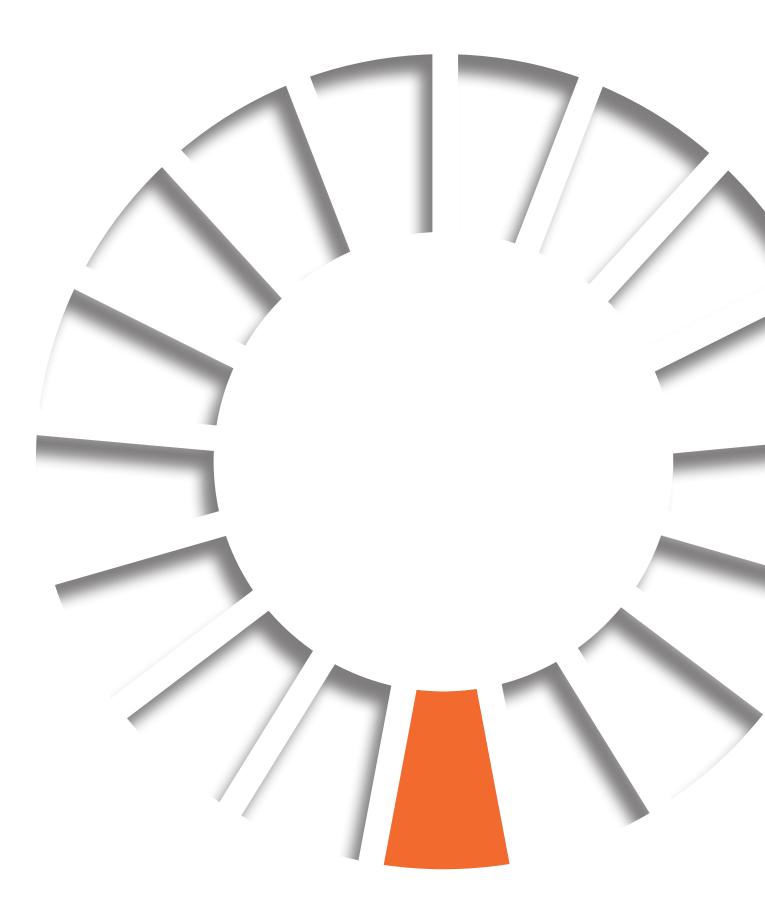
Action	Government Commitment
Approval of an Extraordinary Plan of Investments for the sum of 250 million euros, on 170 of which execution will begin in 2021. This sum joins the more than 1 billion euros earmarked for investment in the Basque Budgets 2021.	1. Interdepartmental Framework Programme for Economic Recov- ery and Employment focussed on the social and economic recon- struction of the Basque Country.
Basque Employment Service (Lanbide) programme of subsidies for projects on the training and hiring of unemployed women in jobs usually given to men (€2 million).	7. Promote labour market integration and improve access to employment for un- employed people with greater difficulties.

TARGET

8.9 By 2030, devise and implement policies to promote sustainable tourism that creates jobs and promotes local culture and products.

Action	Government Commitment
Programme of Grants for the Sustainability of Basque Tourism 2021, with almost 18 million euros; programme forming part of the Basque Tourism Support Plan 2021 which also has, in addition to the grants, an initiative to promote and stimulate the tourist sector, with 3 million euros.	40. Approve a new Basque Sustainable Tourism Strategy.
Programme of COVID-19 grants for the tourist sector (€15 million).	

SDG 8 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_8/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	•
Unemployment rate: Proportion of unemployed people with respect to ac- tively economic people	(2015) 15.69%	(2020) 10.64%	
Youth unemployment rate (16-29 years)	(2015) 28.42%	(2020) 22.07%	
GDP generated by tourism in proportion to the total GDP	(2015) 6.30%	(2020) 6.40%	



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



SDG 9

Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

SDG 9 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

Decree 21/2021 regulating and updating the composition of the Basque Science, Technology and Innovation Network.

Planning instruments

•Strategic Industrial Development and Internationalisation Plan: with the objective of achieving the ability of the Basque Country to export a third of its GDP by 2024; increase the tendency of Basque companies with foreign footholds, and increase the services to promote internationalisation by 10%.

•Strategic Circular Economy and Bioeconomy Plan, with the objectives by 2024 to increase material productivity by 10% and to reduce the waste generation rate by 10% per unit of GDP.

Basque Science, Technology and Innovation Plan 2030: a long-term commitment to promoting science, technology and innovation as levers to accelerate transition towards a digital, green and inclusive Basque Country. It is based on four pillars: scientific excellence, technological-industrial leadership, open innovation and talent.

•Basque Technology Park Network Plan 2021-2024, to strengthen more sustainable and efficient ecosystems, actively contribute to the technological, business and social growth of the Basque Country.

•Strategy for the Digital Transformation of the Basque Country 2025, defining a new model of digital transformation representing a different way of understanding and exercising the relationship between the Basque Public Administration and the economic and social agents, thereby enabling them to work jointly in facing the global challenges.

SDG 9: Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

TARGET

9.2 Promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and, by 2030, significantly raise industry's share of employment and gross domestic product, in line with national circumstances, and double its share in least developed countries.

Action	Government Commitment
Setting in motion of a special Plan of more than 180 million euros to relaunch disadvantaged regions or priority attention areas.	
Indartu Programme for companies that invest in production, entailing improved competitiveness and economic development, with a view to promoting some of the areas and municipalities with an unemploy- ment rate standing at more than 20% of the yearly average in the Basque Autonomous Community.	17. Priority areas of action and companies in difficulty

9.3 Increase the access of small-scale industrial and other enterprises, in particular in developing countries, to financial services, including affordable credit, and their integration into value chains and markets.

Action	Government Commitment
Gauzatu Industry Programme to promote the creation and develop- ment of technology-based and/or innovative SMEs by means of re- payable grants (€28 million).	
The amount assigned to the programme doubles (€4 million) for grants going to companies for making investments destined to protect the environment, as established in Decree 202/2015, of 27 October, regulating grants going to companies for making investments destined to protect the environment.	15. Support for small and medium enter-prises.
The Renove 4.0 Programme to support the acquisition of advanced machinery and/or equipment (hardware and software) for the imple- mentation of Industry 4.0 projects, focussed on applying technologies in the field of advanced manufacturing and industrial SMEs.	

TARGET

9.5 Enhance scientific research, upgrade the technological capabilities of industrial sectors in all countries, in particular developing countries, including, by 2030, encouraging innovation and substantially increasing the number of research and development workers per 1 million people and public and private research and development spending.

Action	Government Commitment	
Creation of the BAIC. Basque Artificial Intelligence Center.	14. Industry 4.0 with	
The «Basque Industry 4.0.» Programme, intended to support Indus- trial Research and Experimental Development Projects on Technology Transfer.	roots in the Basque Country and the de- velopment of artificial intelligence	
Launch of HARSHLAB, the biggest floating test lab for offshore indus- try, following 6 years of Basque collaboration in R&D.	19. Smart specialisation and new Strategic Sci- ence, Technology and Innovation Plan for 2030.	

SDG 9 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_9/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	
Added value of the manufacturing sector in proportion to the GDP	(2015) 18.83%	(2019) 17.13%	
Research and development expenses in proportion to the GDP: Proportion represented by expenditure on research and development with respect to the GDP.	(2015) 1.86%	(2020) 2.08%	1
Number of researchers (full-time equivalent) for every million inhabitants.	(2015) 5.564,48	(2020) 6.194,39	



REDUCED INEQUALITIES

SDG 10

Reduce inequality within and among countries

SDG 10 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Draft Integrated Bill on equality in diversity and the fight against sexual orientation discrimination.

•Draft Bill on places, centres of worship and religious diversity, to protect our society's coexistence and religious diversity and guarantee that everyone can exercise their fundamental right to religious freedom.

•Draft Bill on the rights of children and adolescents, to regulate the field of protection to boys, girls and adolescents with special emphasis on prevention and on situations of vulnerability to defencelessness

Planning instruments

•Basque Social Pact for Migration, with the ethical objective of helping to reinforce supportive and responsible response to the needs of migrants; and to shape cross-cutting social and political unity in order to scupper the pretentions of xenophobic populist movements.

•"Working Paper" of the Basque Strategy for the Demographic Challenge 2030. Made up of 25 initiatives, four of which are new proposals, while the remainder either reinforce or go deeper into lines of action already underway. One grant per child is envisaged, which reconfigures, unifies and increases the incentives received by families with a view to progression, from 2023 until 2030; it envisages a programme of loans which are interest-free and offer the possibility of long-term repayment for entrepreneurial, training or housing projects for young people. It includes free schooling for children from 0-2 years as a measure to enable and create conditions to support work-life balance. Measures are added which foster access to housing for young people, youth employment, shared work-life balance and taking up life in the countryside.

•IV Basque Inclusion Plan 2017-2021, to provide a response to the new challenges and promote anticyclical measures making it possible to address the impact of periods of economic crisis, with special attention to adopting the gender focus in the field of inclusion.

SDG 10: Reduce inequality within and among countries

TARGET

10.2 By 2030, empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status.

Action	Government Commitment
Pilot project for the setting in motion of the ALTXOR 7.0 service's three offices, one in each of the provinces. Altxor 7.0 is a pilot project of support to the life projects of the elderly.	83. Guarantee quality of care and extend care at home and in the immediate environment of the elderly.
Setting in motion of the pilot programme for managing a Barnahus or model centre where all departments intervening in a case of sexual abuse involving children or adolescents coordinate and work under the same roof in order to look after the victim.	86. Integrated Plan for the protection, prevention and the promotion of children.

10.4 Adopt policies, especially fiscal, wage and social protection policies, and progressively achieve greater equality.

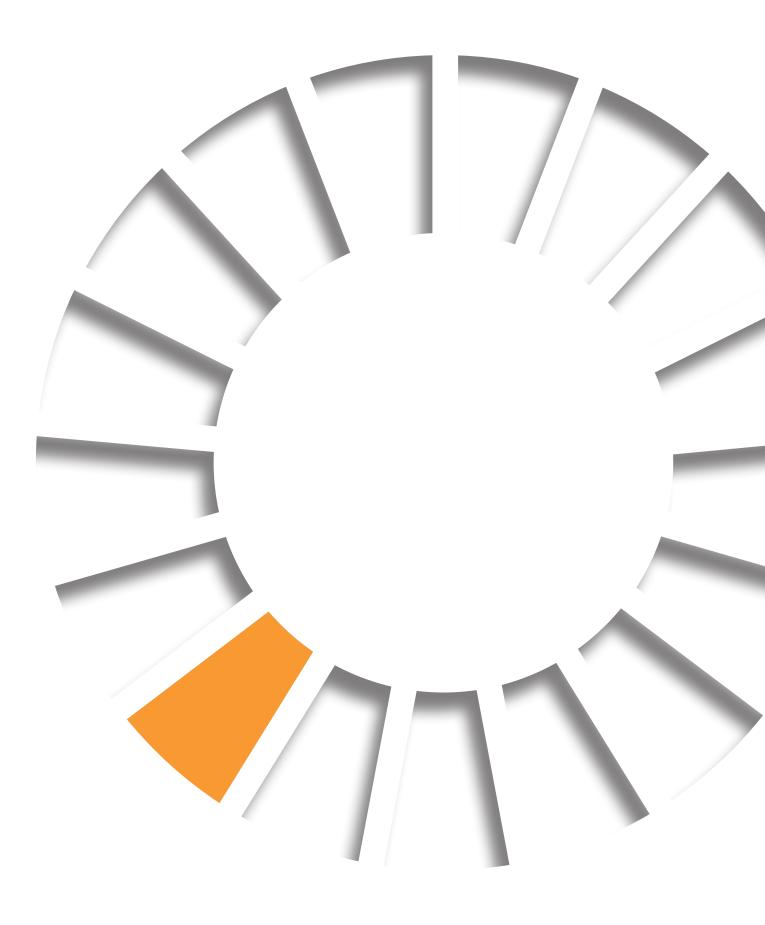
Action	Government Commitment	
Improvement of conditions for access to rent allowance programmes for young people and to private homes rented at an affordable price. The conditions of Gaztelagun and ASAP have been made more flexible so that more flats and more young people can access both kinds of al- lowance, increasing the maximum monthly rental of the homes falling under both programmes.	38. Specific actions for access to housing for young people.	
Programme of subsidies to local organisations in the Basque Autono- mous Community to promote the carrying out of diagnostic studies, the drawing up of youth emancipation and youth plans, the monitoring or evaluation of said plans and the carrying out or the systematisation and evaluation of other local initiatives with the aim of promoting the youth emancipation process ($\leq 1, 150, 000$).	92. Youth emancipation strategy.	
Start-up of the Basque Youth Emancipation Network and the pilot pro- grams GAZ (Gazteriaren proiektuak Abian jartzeko Zerbizua), Ameslar- iak (recruitment, retention, return and connection program) and Tra- pezistak, to accompany young people with no family support network in their transition to adulthood.		

TARGET

10.6 Ensure enhanced representation and voice for developing countries in decisionmaking in global international economic and financial institutions in order to deliver more effective, credible, accountable and legitimate institutions.

Action	Government Commitment
Programme of grants for development cooperation processes, technological assistance and education for social transformation. (€32,000,000)	107. Extend the quality, impact and innovation content of development cooperation.

SDG 10 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_10/ods.html	lnitial data	Latest data and ten- dency	
Gini coefficient: is used to compare inequality with regard to income distribution in different areas ranging from 0 and 100, where the closer it is to 100, the greater the concentration of income and the closer to 0, the more equitable the distribution of wealth.	(2014) 27,10	(2020) 28,20	
Proportion of people who live below the 50% median income threshold, considering the median in the autonomous community: Proportion of people who live with an income per unit of consumption lower than the 50% median of the autonomous community (modified OECD-modified equivalence scale). The number of units of consumption of a home is calculated using the OECD-modified equivalence scale, which assigns a value of 1 to the household head, of 0.5 to each additional member aged 14 years or more and of 0.3 to each child under the age of 14 years.	(2014) 11.03%	(2020) 11.10%	





SDG 11

Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

SDG 11 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Decree 149/2021, on vacant residential units and measures to fulfil the social function of housing, regulating vacant residential units and the taking of measures aimed at their effective occupation for residential use, thereby guaranteeing fulfilment of the social function of housing.

•Decree 228/2021, regulating the Basque Autonomous Community Council on Basque Cultural Heritage, with a view to guaranteeing the integrated management of cultural heritage and strengthening the commitment to its transmission, promotion and appreciation.

•Draft Bill on Sustainable Mobility, an integrated legal framework on mobility promoting an efficient transport model in the endeavour to reduce environmental and social impacts with respect to the system currently in place.

•Draft Bill on Integrated Document and Documentary Heritage Management in the Basque Country, to move forward with improved management of public services information, develop the principle of transparency, protect the documentary heritage and recognise and exercise the right of access by citizens to information.

Planning instruments

•Strategic Plan for Road Safety and Safe and Sustainable Mobility in the Basque Country 2021-2025, aiming to reduce the number of accidents with a 'Vision Zero' approach to the victims of traffic accidents, meeting the global goals to reduce the number of people killed and seriously injured.

•Basque Urban Agenda - Bultzatu 2050, to achieve inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable towns and cities, leaving no people or places behind, and to do so by 2050.

•III General Road Planning of the Basque Country, to bring the road network into line with the determining factors of each area served, minimising environmental and urban impacts.

•Housing Master Plan 2021-2023, under which renovation grants will be awarded to 71,200 homes with a view to achieving the improved energy efficiency, habitability, accessibility, safety and digitalisation of buildings.

•Strategic Agenda for the Basque Language, to guarantee transmission of Euskera, the Basque language. Increase use of the Basque language during leisure and sport. Increase use of the Basque language in the digital environment. Increase use of the Basque language in the media.

SDG 11: Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

TARGET

11.2 By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons.

Action	Government Commitment
Signing of a protocol with the Ministry of Transport, Mobility and Urban Agenda, Álava Provincial Council, Vitoria-Gasteiz City Council, ADIF and the company Alta Velocidad Vitoria-Gasteiz to promote ar- rival of the high-speed train to the city and integration of the railway to the system.	34. Prioritise invest- ment in rail.
2021 announcement of grants for introducing new technology and safety systems to the sector of the public road transport of people and goods. The aim of the grants is to gain effectiveness in fleet man- agement and safety, with a view to advancing towards sustainable transport, modernising the sector.	32. Sustainable mobility.

11.3 By 2030, enhance inclusive and sustainable urbanization and capacity for participatory, integrated and sustainable human settlement planning and management in all countries.

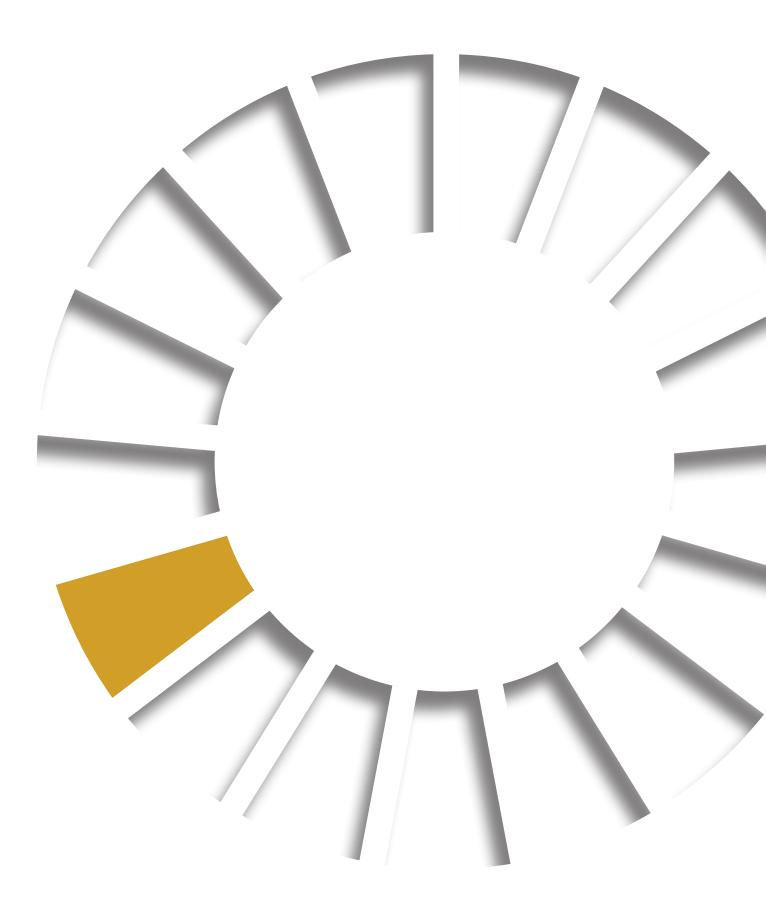
Action	Government Commitment
Extraordinary investment between 2021 and 2023 in urban regenera- tion programmes in four districts of Ezkerralde-Meatzaldea, in the framework of projects to boost disadvantaged districts or areas for preferential action	39. Promote rehabilita- tion, urban regeneration and innovation in hous-
Collaboration agreement between the general administration of the Basque Autonomous Community, through the ministries of territorial planning, housing and transport, the ministry of economic develop- ment, sustainability and the environment and the Repsol foundation for the creation of a work forum on integral urban regeneration.	ing, improving accessibil- ity, energy efficiency and sustainable construction.

TARGET

11.4 Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage.

Action	Government Commitment
Programme of grants for classification, digitalisation, conservation and dissemination of the Basque cultural heritage through reposito- ries which have implemented the OAI-PMH protocol developing and promoting standards of interoperability between the main digitalisa- tion projects existing today and enabling the efficient circulation of content on the Internet.	114. Protect the cultural heritage of the Basque Country and promote its enhancement.
Lanhitz programme of grants to foster the use and presence of the Basque language at private sector places of work in the Basque Au- tonomous Community. Amount awarded: €2,000,000.	118. Increase knowledge of the Basque language and, above all, influence its use in socio-cultural, economic and digital environments and in the public sector.

SDG 11 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_11/ods.html	lnitial data	Latest data and ten- dency	-
Proportion of people who live in homes with certain defects: Proportion of people who have problems in their homes, such as leaks, damp walls, floors, ceilings or foundations, or rotting floors, window frames or doors.	(2014) 11.80%	(2020) 10.46%	1
Average annual population-weighted concentration of PM10 fine particu- late matter: Expressed in micrograms per cubic metre.	(2015) 18,15	(2020) 14,90	
Journeys in public collective land transport services per inhabitant: Mean annual journeys per inhabitant in public collective land transport services (city bus, intercity bus, city train and intercity train) within the Basque Au- tonomous Community.	(2015) 117,51	(2020) 74,29	







Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

SDG 12 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Decree on the Register of Basque associations of consumers and users, regulating a census for the representation, hearing and consultation of consumers.

Planning instruments

•Circular Economy and Bioeconomy Plan with the objectives for 2024 to increase material productivity by 30%; increase the rate of circular material use by 10%; and reduce the rate of waste generation per GDP unit by 10%. •Basque Programme on Green Public Procurement and Contracting 2030, on using the Basque public and private sector purchasing power in a coordinated fashion with the market for sustainable socioeconomic development. •Basque Science, Technology and Innovation Plan 2030, to promote science, technology and innovation as levers to accelerate transition towards a digital, green and inclusive Basque Country.

•Waste Prevention and Management Plan 2030, with the objective by 2030 of reducing the total waste generation rate by 30%; increasing the selective collection of urban waste up to 85%, reusing 85% of non-hazardous waste by turning it into secondary materials, and reducing elimination in rubbish dumps by at least 15%.

SDG 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

TARGET

12.2 By 2030, achieve the sustainable management and efficient use of natural resources.

Action	Government Commitment
Promotion of 26 eco-innovative projects on the ecodesign, remanu- facturing and circular economy of materials, plastics and minerals.	
The signing, together with fourteen Basque companies and the public bodies Ihobe and SPRI, of a public-private alliance of collaboration on ecodesign and circular economy, in what is known as the Basque Ecodesign Center.	131. Promote green jobs and innovation in
Opening of the Basque Circular Hub, the centre for advanced circu- lar economy services of the Basque Country with its headquarters in Bilbao. Result of public-private collaboration between the Basque Government, Bilbao City Council, the University of Deusto, the Univer- sity of the Basque Country, the University of Mondragón, the Basque VET Applied Research Centre-Tknika, and the Novia Salcedo Founda- tion. In 2021, 130 young people have received education and practical training in the circular economy.	the field of the circular economy.

12.3 By 2030, halve per capita global food waste at the retail and consumer levels and reduce food losses along production and supply chains, including post-harvest losses.

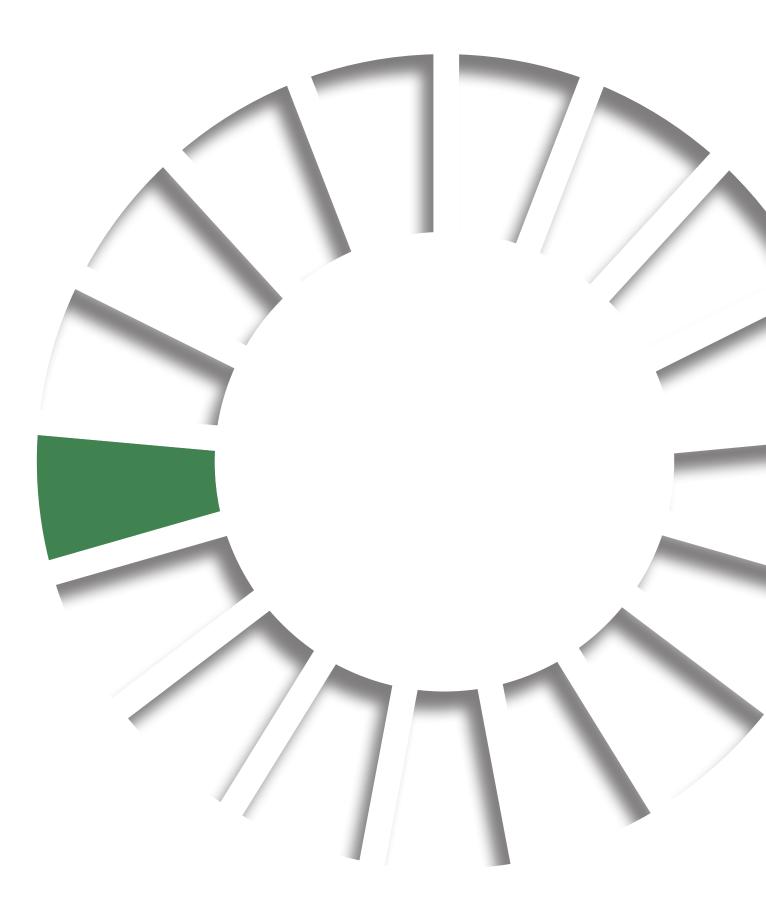
Action	Government Commitment
DON'T THROW AWAY FOOD (LA COMIDA NO SE TIRA) campaign to raise awareness of food waste in the Basque citizens.	27. Promote organic, local, sustainable and healthier food.

TARGET

12.5 By 2030, substantially reduce waste generation through prevention, reduction, recycling and reuse.

Action	Government Commitment
Programme of grants to support implementation of the regulation on waste and foster the circular economy in the Basque Country.	132. Reduce waste and
Basque Government, Ecovidrio and Ecoembes present EKOADRILA, the campaign to give waste a "second life" and thank the Basque Country for its recycling response.	increase recycling and recovery.

SDG 12 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_12/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	_
Proportion of municipal waste recycled in relation to the total municipal waste generated and processed: Proportion of municipal waste recycled with respect to the total municipal waste regenerated and processed from households and the services sector (shops, public or private offices and institution), whose management is assumed by local bodies.	(2015) 36.44%	(2018) 41.46%	1
Domestic consumption of materials per capita: Total quantity of material directly used in the economy, expressed in tons per inhabitant.	(2015) 10,95	(2018) 13,04	







SDG 13

Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

SDG 13 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Law 10/2021 on Environmental Administration in the Basque Country, establishing the regulatory framework for protection, conservation and improvement of the environment.

•Draft Bill on Energy Transition and Climate Change: Legal framework for achieving greenhouse gas neutrality by 2050 and advancing towards a territory more resilient to the climate, creating the mechanisms and bodies of interinstitutional coordination in matters of climate change.

Planning instruments

•Strategic Energy Transition and Climate Change Plan 2024, to meet international targets and reduce the speed of climate change and to increase the ability to respond to its effects.

•Science, Technology and Innovation Plan-PCTI 2030, to promote science, technology and innovation as levers to accelerate the transition towards a digital, green and inclusive Basque Country.

•Drawing up of the Basque Environmental Framework Programme 2030, in order, in keeping with the leading world trends, to roll out an environmental policy for developing a prosperous, modern, advanced and sustainable Basque society.

•Environmental Inspection and Control Plan 2019/2026, to achieve a high level of environmental protection in the BAC by means of monitoring fulfilment of the environment regulation and of the requirements imposed in environmental authorisations and procedures.

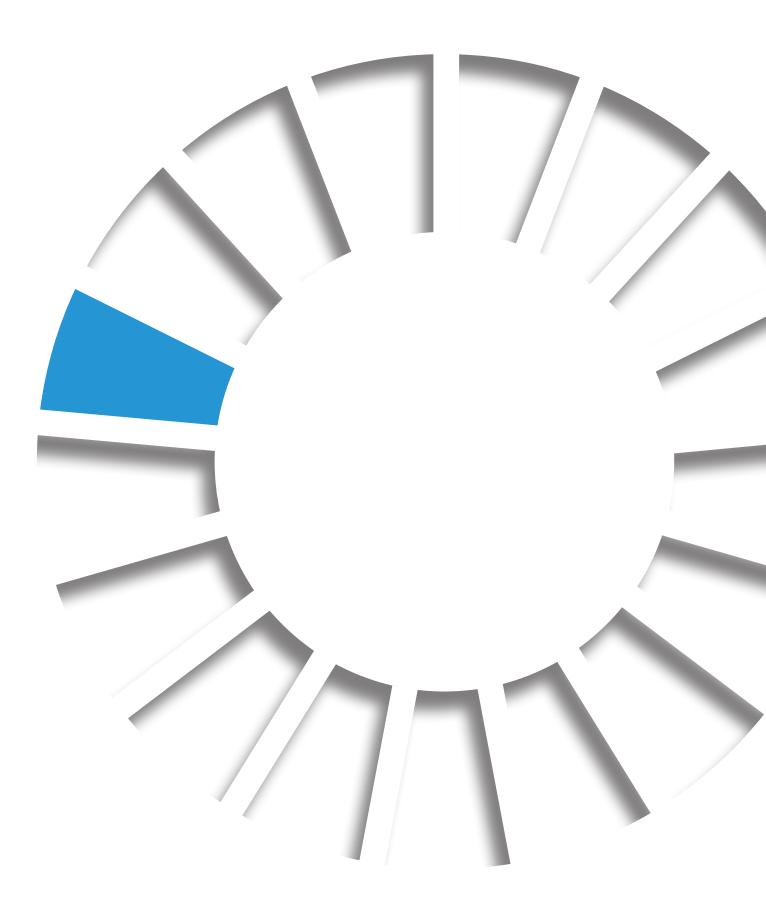
•**Strategy against Climate Change (Klima 2050)**, for a reduction of 40% in greenhouse gas emissions with respect to 2005 by 2030, and of 80% by 2050.

SDG 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

13.2 Integrate climate change measures into national policies, strategies and planning.

Action	Government Commitment	
Organisation and holding of the international conference 'Urban Klima 2050: multi-stakeholder collaboration to finance adaptation in the Basque Country', which will reveal the main areas of progress achieved by the European project LIFE Urban Klima 2050, the biggest climate initiative undertaken by the Basque Country for the coming years, until 2025.	129. Move decisively towards a low-carbon economy as an opportunity	
Creation of the Basque Hydrogen Corridor Association (BH2C). Here the objective is to create a hydrogen system in the Basque Country which, with a public-private collaboration strategy, makes it possible to progress with the decarbonisation of the energy, mobility and in- dustry sectors. The Basque Government, through EVE, is a founding member and holds the vice-presidency of the Association.	for job creation and industrial and technological develop- ment.	

SDG 13 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_13/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	
Greenhouse gas emissions with respect to the year 2005: Variation in greenhouse gas emission rates with respect to the those of 2005 (Kyoto Protocol).	(2015) -23.84%	(2019) -26.90%	
Air quality index: Percentage of days when air quality is good or very good with respect to concentrations of the pollutants SO2, NOx, CO, PM10 and O3.	(2015) 83.39%	(2020) 88.63%	





SDG 14

Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

SDG 14 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Decree 143/2021, on fishing and fishing or marine tourism demonstrations in the maritime and continental waters of the Basque Autonomous Community: Regulates fishing-tourism, fishing and fishing or marine tourism demonstrations, activities related to maritime fishing and aquaculture, in order to improve or top up the income of those who work in the fishing sector.

Planning instruments

•Operational Programme of the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund of the Basque Country (FEMP 2021-2027), to help the fishing and aquaculture sector of the Basque Autonomous Community, and limit its impact on the marine environment.

SDG 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

14.1 Prevent and significantly reduce marine pollution of all kinds, in particular from land-based activities, including marine debris and nutrient pollution.

Action	Government Commitment
Opening, in Getaria, of BLUE POINT, the Smart Centre on Marine Pollu- tion and Circular Economy. This centre is born to help relieve the prob- lem of marine pollution on the Basque coast, which accumulates more than 50,000 tons of marine waste, and to address this problem from a local perspective, but with a global vocation, approaching it as an oppor- tunity not only to clean the sea, but also to help generate new jobs and companies in the framework of the Blue Circular Economy.	134. Promote an advanced environmental policy, the improvement of the natural environment and ecosystems by defending biodiversity and the main terrestrial and marine habitats.
Itsaspen programme of grants for promotion and development of the coastal areas of the Basque Autonomous Community	29. Port management and preservation of the Basque countryside and coastline.

TARGET

14.2 Sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts, including by strengthening their resilience, and take action for their restoration in order to achieve healthy and productive oceans.

Action	Government Commitment
Extension of the collaboration agreement signed with the Azti Foun- dation, which goes deeper into the coordination of both parties in aspects related with the observation, monitoring, control and man- agement of oceanic and meteorological elements.	111. Achieve comprehensive and interconnected security.
Finalisation of the KostaEgoki project to study vulnerability and risk on the Basque Coast in the face of climate change.	

SDG 14 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_14/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	
Quality of surface water bodies: Proportion of surface water bodies (coast- al waters, transition waters, dams, lakes and marshlands and rivers) present- ing good overall condition.	(2015) 48.10%	(2020) 53.00%	





SDG 15

Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

SDG 15 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Law 9/2021 on Conservation of the Natural Heritage of the Basque Country, for the preservation of natural spaces and biodiversity from an integrated focus of natural heritage, and improved coordination between levels of administration responsible for their management, combined with other cross-cutting policies such as those on climate change, in order to foster opportunities in the primary sector, in order to combine protection with the natural heritage with economic and social development.

•Draft Bill on Rural Development, to guide actions for sustainable development in the Basque rural environment, thereby placing said environment on the same footing as the rest of the territory as a fundamental factor in the development and economic, social and territorial cohesion of the country. •Draft Decrees approving the second series of Plans for the Management of Natural Resources in the Protected Natural Spaces of Armañon, Gorbeia, Izki and Urkiola, for the conservation of nature in the Basque Country.

Planning instruments

•BAC Biodiversity Strategy 2030, to protect, conserve and restore the natural capital, preserving the services that provide the ecosystems and improving the state of the main habitats and wildlife, on land and in the sea, taking an integrated approach to the problem of biological invasions.

•Drawing up of the Basque Environmental Framework Programme 2030, in order, in keeping with the leading world trends, to roll out an environmental policy for developing a prosperous, modern, advanced and sustainable Basque society.

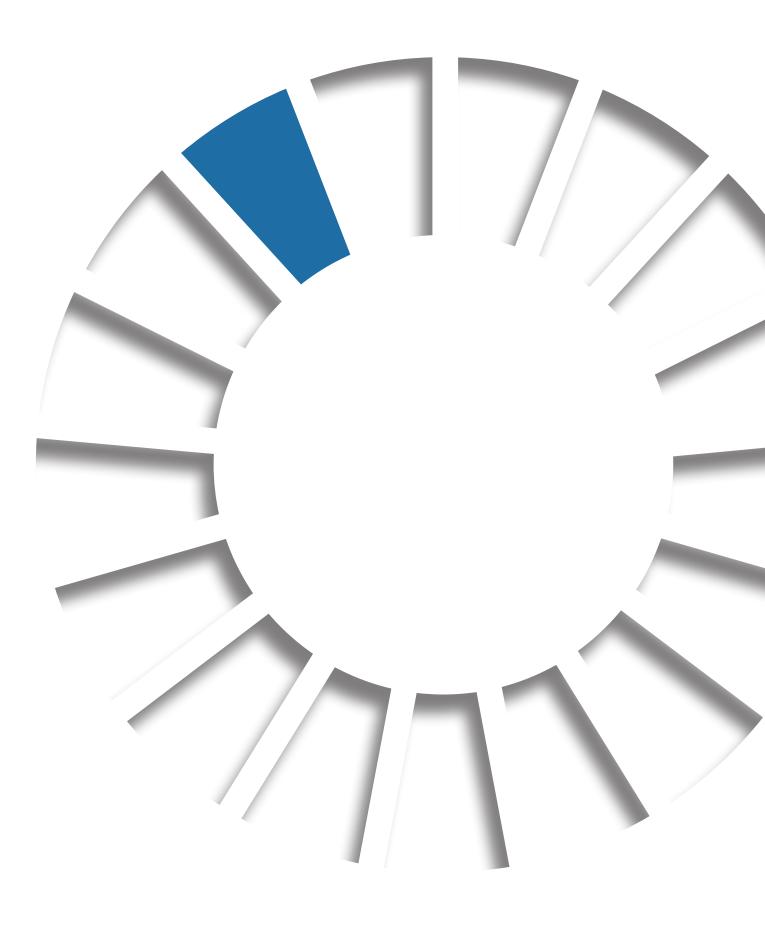
SDG 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

TARGET

15.1 By 2020, ensure the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of terrestrial and inland freshwater ecosystems and their services, in particular forests, wetlands, mountains and drylands, in line with obligations under international agreements.

Action	Government Commitment
Erein programme of grants for the development and economic diversi- fication of the classified rural areas G4, G5 and G6, for both public and private organisations.	29. Port management and preservation of the Basque country- side and coastline
Launch of the extension of the Special Conservation Areas of the Moun- tains of Vitoria, increasing protection of the space by more than 3,000 ha.	
Programme of direct grants included in the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). €45,000,000 in 2021.	27. Promote organic, local, sustainable and healthier food.

SDG 15 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_15/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	
Forest surface (hectares) with ongoing sustainable management instruments: Statistics on sustainable forestry management. Indicator calculated using a harmonised methodology between the central statistics bodies of the autonomous communities.	(2015) 78.208	(2019) 95.091	
Forest area as a proportion of total land area: Tree-covered area as a proportion of total land area.	(2015) 54.89%	(2019) 54.85%	





SDG 16

Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

SDG 16 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•Draft Bill on the Historical and Democratic Memory of the Basque Country: Regulation of public policies for the Historical and Democratic Memory of the Basque Country, in order to promote the moral reparation and recovery of the personal and family memory of those who suffered persecution or violence for reasons of politics, ideology or religious belief, during the civil war and the dictatorship.

•Decree 169/2021, for transfer to the Basque Autonomous Community of the functions and services on the execution of State legislation on prisons: Transfer in the legislative framework established by the Spanish state of the functions of managing, supervising, organising, economically and administratively managing and inspecting the penitentiary centres located in the Basque Country.

•Draft Bill on places, centres of worship and religious diversity in the Basque Autonomous Community, to protect coexistence and guarantee that everyone can exercise their fundamental right to religious freedom. •Draft Bill on the creation of AUKERAK, Basque Social Reintegration Agency for penitentiary centres, to facilitate the social and working inclusion of people held in the penitentiary centres of the Basque Country. •Draft Bill on the drawing up of general provisions to regulate each of the stages and requirements to be fulfilled by the Basque Government to draw up its laws and decrees according to the new procedural needs and demands with respect to participation, impact assessment and transparency.

•Draft Bill on Basque Civil Cassation Appeal which increases the situations in which a civil cassation appeal can be made to courts of justice, when the legal controversies affect Basque Civil Law.

•Draft Bill on the Authority to Impose Penalties to regulate the ability to impose penalties of the Basque public administrations, simplifying the procedures and reinforcing the guarantees of citizens in the sanctioning procedures of which they may be the subject.

•Decree 171/2021, of 6 July, for transfer to the Basque Autonomous Community of the staff, budgets and assets assigned to the exercising of certain powers envisaged in Organic Law 5/1987, of 30 July, in regard to road transport.

•Decree 172/2021 of 6 July, for transfer to the Basque Autonomous Community of the functions and services of the State Administration with respect to assignation of the ISSN (International Standard Serial Number).

•Decree 170/2021, of 6 July, increasing the assets assigned to the State Administration services transferred to the Basque Autonomous Community by Royal Decree 2380/1982, of 14 May, on the subject of ports. Under this decree, the BAC receives transfer of the building in the port of Ondárroa, former headquarters of the Maritime Zone



Planning instruments

•General Plan on Public Security in the Basque Country 2025, with the objective of managing and planning an effective and common response to the principal public security threats in the Basque Country.

•V Youth Justice Plan of the Basque Autonomous Community 2020-2024, to promote prevention, inter-departmental collaboration and the quality of judicial interventions for offenders between the ages of 14 and 18. •Digital Justice Plan 2021-2026, to transform and improve administrative management in courts and expedite formalities for members of the public. •(H)ABIAN 2030 Strategy – Education for Social Transformation, to promote critical citizenship who are aware of the injustice and inequality existing on the planet; and equitable and supportive practices to generate individual and collective changes.

•Gogora Action Plan 2021-2024, to promote a process of reflection and debate with a view to laying the foundations for the construction of shared memory in the future.

•2030 Strategic Plan on Governance, Public Innovation and Digital Government, ARDATZ 2030, whose mission is to build an integrated, egalitarian, bilingual and innovative Administration with the active participation of civil servants and the public, focused on the latter's needs, which appraises itself and works to achieve results, for which it is accountable, which is open and transparent, and which offers accessible, quality, efficient, effective and secure services.

•Basque OGP - Second Action Plan (2021-2024), jointly created with the citizens, which includes commitments whose implementation requires the collaboration of civil society and coordination between the three inter-institutional levels in order to respond to key open government challenges.

ACTION PREVIEW

SDG 16: Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

TARGET

16.1 Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere.

Action	Government Commitment
The UDA 2021 Contingency Plan for attending to migrants on their way through the Basque Country will have 500 places, 338 of which are lo- cated in the area around Irun and the Bidasoa district.	87. Promote and disseminate a civic culture of welcome, integration and co-responsibility in the face of migration.
Interconnection of the VioGén and EBA programmes to enable the shar- ing of data on women victims and facilitate their secure mobility.	111. Achieve compre- hensive and intercon- nected security.

TARGET

16.3 Promote the rule of law at the national and international levels and ensure equal access to justice for all.

Action	Government Commitment
Approval of the Draft Bill on the creation of AUKERAK, the Basque So- cial Reintegration Agency, for penitentiary centres. On 30 September 2021 the Parliament approved Law 3/2021 on the creation of Auke- rak, the Basque Social Reintegration Agency.	102. Prison policy management and prisoner reintegration.
Formalisation of agreements with different organisations focused on the social reintegration of minors and adolescents. These agreements regulate the providing during 2022 of different services to ensure the fulfilment of legal measures by minors and adolescents. Thanks to the agreements with different Third Sector organisations, more than 8.6 million euros will be assigned to the functioning of residential care centres; 1.4 million to open regime interventions; 0.87 to day care centres; and 0.44 to a so-called 'halfway house'. (€11.000.000)	102. Prison policy management and prisoner reintegration.

TARGET

16.6 Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels.

Action	Government Commitment
Fifth issue of "Euskadi Sustainable Bonds" for the sum of 1 billion euros to reinforce the financial solidity and guarantee resources to address the exceptional situation generated by Covid-19. The demand is three times greater than the supply and 63% of the investors are sustainable.	150. Manage public resources responsibly.
The Basque Government portal has received the National Congress Innovation of Public Services award going to governance projects and strategies that promote transparency and participation.	148. Promote a more open and transparent administration, ac-countable in real time.
Return to the initiative going by the name of Topaketak, a digital space or meetings with citizens, fostering their participation.	
Ekarlan 2021 awards call for innovative projects promoting the creation of public value.	
The Zuzenean Citizens' Advice Bureau has won the BIKAIN Certificate of Quality in Language Management.	147. Progress in achiev- ing a closer, simpler and more efficient ad- ministration that avoids duplication.

SDG 16 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_16/ods.html	Initial data	Latest data and ten- dency	
Crime rates: Criminal offences recorded by the police for every thousand inhabitants.	(2015) 39	(2020) 35	1
Proportion of people aged 16 and over who feel safe (very or quite safe) when walking alone in the area around their homes: Survey on personal wellbeing, Eustat.	(2014) 76.38%	(2019) 69.47%	
Proportion of people who trust the Basque Government: Proportion of people who trust the Basque Government with respect to all inhabitants of the BAC aged 18 or over. Source: Basque Sociometer, Office of Sociological Research, Presidency of the Government.	(2014) 65%	(2021) 78%	







SDG 17

Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development

SDG 17 - Summary of content

Legislative initiatives

•**Draft Bill on Development Cooperation**, to regulate the development cooperation and international solidarity policies implemented and promoted by the public administrations of the Basque Autonomous Community.

Planning instruments

 •Framework Euskadi-Basque Country Internationalisation Strategy, to improve the Basque Country's position abroad, promote internationalisation of the socio-economic network, contribute to and jointly participate in the European project and reinforce the Basque contribution to overcoming global challenges.
 •V Master Plan on Development Cooperation, to promote sustainable human development and fight poverty and inequalities by fostering and supporting the strategies of different agents in the North and South.

ACTION PREVIEW

SDG 17: Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development

TARGET

17.3 Mobilize additional financial resources for developing countries from multiple sources.

Action	Government Commitment
Launch of the 2021 «Erronka globalen aurrean, gazteak martxan» call for projects. These awards go to the best ideas proposing an activity or action to foster solidarity, development cooperation and exchanges be- tween young people in the Basque Country and other territories.	104. Draw up an open and shared development coopera- tion policy between Basque citi- zens, institutions and social agents and organisations.
Protocol of action on health cooperation in providing temporary cover to people receiving support under solidarity campaigns or for reasons of schooling; training of health personnel both in the Basque Country and in southern countries, in addition to the participation of Basque health personnel in cooperation projects or in international humanitarian emergencies.	107. Extend the quality, impact and innovation content of development cooperation policies.

TARGET

17.14 Enhance policy coherence for sustainable development.

Action	Government Commitment
Public statement by the Lehendakari (Basque President) in favour of the temporary suspension of patents for COVID-19 vaccinations.	140. Social transition strategy and the new "Biziberri Plan".

TARGET

17.16 Enhance North-South, South-South and triangular regional and international cooperation on and access to science, technology and innovation and enhance knowledgesharing on mutually agreed terms, including through improved coordination among existing mechanisms, in particular at the United Nations level, and through a global technology facilitation mechanism.

Action	Government Commitment
Constitution of the Multi-Stakeholder Forum for Social Transition and the 2030 Agenda. This Forum will promote shared governance of the 2030 Agenda between the institutions and social stakeholders.	141. The 2030 Agenda.
First African Euskal Etxea founded in Malabo, Equatorial Guinea. The association made up of Basque citizens and people from Equatorial Guinea with ties to the Basque Country joins the World Network of Basque Centres.	138. Strengthen links with the Basque Diaspora in the world.

SDG 17 indicators https://en.eustat.eus/indicadores/temaseleccionado_17/ods.html	lnitial data	Latest data and ten- dency
Direct net investment in countries receiving Official Development Assis- ance: Net financial resources destined to stakes in the capital of companies in countries receiving Official Development Assistance, expressed in millions of euros. The Development Assistance Committee (DAC) of the Organisa- ion for Economic Development and Cooperation (OECD) establishes the list of countries eligible to receive Official Development Assistance. These are ountries with low and medium incomes based on the GDP per capita pub- shed by the World Bank, with the exception of members of the G8, mem- pers of the EU and countries with a set date for joining the EU.	(2015) 31,52	(2020) 60,52
lumber of young participants in the Basque Youth Volunteer Programme COVID-19 meant that this programme was unable to go ahead in 2021).	(2015) 89	(2021) 0

